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From the Dean



This has been a great year for Suffolk University Law School. I am pleased to report that we have been recognized nationally in several important ways. This year's *U.S. News and World Report* rankings placed our clinical programs 20th in the nation, tied with those of UCLA and the University of Chicago, and our legal writing program 33rd in the nation, tied with those of Georgetown and Marquette. Additionally, our faculty's productivity, as measured by the number of articles downloaded from the Social Science Research Network, was ranked 33rd in the country. These are all well deserved recognitions and speak to the many strengths of this law school.

There have been other exciting developments as well. In December we celebrated the opening of the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service. This center is very important to us as we go forward. It will stimulate dialogue between and among policy makers, academics, and members of the bar on a variety of important public policy issues; it will promote public service and access to public interest careers for our students; and it will manage our law school's pro bono program. The center will, in effect, leverage Suffolk Law's long tradition of public service in ways that will substantially benefit the community and our students.

In March, we announced the appointment of Professor Alasdair Roberts as the first holder of the Rappaport Chair in Law and Public Policy. Professor Roberts is a celebrated legal and policy scholar whose expertise in law and public policy issues makes him an invaluable addition to our faculty; you can read more about his accomplishments on page 4.

These achievements and additions to our faculty and school are significant and bode well for the future. But what has perhaps excited me most this year has been my deepening relationship with the Suffolk Law alumni community. I spent much of the winter traveling the eastern seaboard, meeting with as many of you as I could. And what I discovered firsthand is the tremendous loyalty and dedication to Suffolk Law felt by all of our graduates. This enthusiasm and pride is very important to us and is emblematic of the help that our alumni have provided—and continue to provide—to our law school. More travel is planned, and I very much hope to have the opportunity to meet as many of you as possible.

We have had a successful year, and I look forward to keeping in close touch with you about our accomplishments and our future plans.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alfred C. Aman, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alfred C. Aman, Jr.
Dean and Professor of Law

Suffolk Law Unveils Rappaport Center

It was the formal unveiling of a long-awaited public service center.

In December, Suffolk University Law School officially launched the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service with a gala opening ceremony featuring Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley as keynote speaker.



From left: Former Massachusetts State Senator Warren Tolman, Jerry Rappaport, Phyllis Rappaport, Lawrence DiCara JD '76, and Rappaport Center Executive Director Susan Prosnitz

“To be able to create a center that now institutionalizes the notion that public service is important, that we want our best and our brightest to serve the public, I think that’s a very welcome idea, and an extraordinary idea whose time has come.”

“The Rappaport Center allows us to cultivate tomorrow’s public policy leaders and encourage our most promising students to become innovators.”

Coakley said. “I hope the Rappaport Center will lead us to a time when we say not the dismissive ‘Oh, good enough for government work’ but ‘Are you good enough for government work? Are you good enough to bring the legal skills and the experience and the know-how and the judgment that means we care about the communities we live in?’”

More than 200 people packed Sargent Hall for the festivities, which included speeches from Jerry and Phyllis Rappaport and second-year student and former Rappaport Fellow Chad Laurent, who received a summer job offer from Coakley onstage.

“The Rappaport Center allows us to cultivate tomorrow’s public policy leaders

and encourage our most promising students to become innovators in public policy as government attorneys, public interest lawyers, or members of the bar undertaking pro bono cases and public service,” said Dean Alfred Aman during his opening remarks. “It leverages Suffolk’s ideal urban location and long tradition of public service to create strategic, innovative, and practical partnerships between academia and government around issues of law and public policy.”

The Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service, created in 2007 through a \$5 million gift from the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Foundation and Jerry and Phyllis Rappaport, was established to advance opportunities for law students and lawyers to engage in public service and to explore the intersection between the law and public policy. The Rappaport Center is home to the Rappaport Fellows Program in Law and Public Policy; since its founding in 2000, the program has provided access to summer internships, educational programming, stipends, and individual mentoring for 12 law students selected annually from applicants representing Boston’s six law schools. “Committed legal professionals are in a unique position



Dean Alfred Aman addresses the crowd.

to help improve the everyday lives of citizens,” said Rappaport Center Executive Director Susan Prosnitz. “The Rappaport Center can and will be a national model for advancing public service opportunities for law students and lawyers for decades to come.”

Celebrated Legal Scholar Named to Rappaport Chair

Alasdair Roberts, a professor of public administration at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, will join Suffolk University Law School this fall as the first holder of the Rappaport Chair in Law and Public Policy.



“Alasdair Roberts is one of the leading scholars in law and policy studies in the country today,” says Suffolk Law School Dean Alfred Aman. “His stellar accomplishments as a scholar and a teacher and his creative approach to law and policy issues will ensure that the Rappaport Center at Suffolk University Law School will play a leadership role in some of the most important law and policy issues of our times.”

In addition to serving on the Syracuse University faculty, Roberts is a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and an honorary senior research fellow of the constitution unit at the School of Public Policy at University College London.

Roberts previously taught in the School of Policy Studies at Queen’s University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. He has held visiting appointments at Georgetown University’s Graduate Public Policy Institute and at the University of Southern California’s Washington Public Affairs Center. He has been a visiting scholar at the Council for Excellence in Government in Washington, D.C.; a fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C.; and an individual program fellow of the Open Society Institute in New York. He was director of the Campbell Public Affairs Institute at Syracuse University from 2001 to 2006.

Roberts’s book *Blacked Out: Government Secrecy in the Information Age* received the 2006 Louis Brownlow Book Award from the National Academy of Public Administration and the 2007 Book Award from the Section on Public Administration Research of the American Society for Public Administration, among other honors. His new book, *The Collapse of Fortress Bush: The Crisis of Authority in American Government*, examines the Bush presidency in the larger context of recent U.S. history.

Roberts, a native of Pembroke, Ontario, Canada, received his juris doctor degree from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law in 1984, a master’s degree in public policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in 1986, and a PhD in public policy from Harvard University in 1994.

The Jerome Lyle Rappaport Chair in Law and Public Policy was established in 2006 as part of the \$5 million gift from Phyllis and Jerry Rappaport and the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Charitable Foundation.

The Point Is Moot

Suffolk Law is delving into the world of international arbitration. This fall, the law school will host the first-ever Foreign Direct Investment International Moot Competition (FDI Moot), a program the law school helped found earlier this year.

“Students find these issues interesting,” says Professor Christopher Gibson, who has co-coached the Suffolk Law moot court team in the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition since arriving at the law school in 2004.

For the past two years, Gibson has worked with the Center for International Legal Studies in Salzburg, Austria, to create the FDI Moot competition.

“I wanted to do something that would bring together a number of different elements in the Suffolk community,” says Gibson. “And the area of investor-state arbitration in relation to foreign investment is growing in importance. There are more cases, which means there is a greater chance students will be working on a case in this area.”

Representatives from Pepperdine University School of Law, the University of Dundee in Scotland, and the German Institution of Arbitration in Frankfurt later came on board to further refine the program. “To be truly international, the program couldn’t just involve American universities,” says Gibson.



Approximately 20 teams from law schools around the globe will compete in the event this fall. Each team will be assigned a client and will write a brief on the client’s behalf over the summer; teams will then present

oral arguments, and the competition will culminate in a symposium beginning October 31.

To coincide with the symposium, the fall issue of the *Suffolk Law Review* will be dedicated to international foreign direct investment.

“This is a new and important area in the field of private international law,” says Gibson. “There are a rising number of disputes, so it’s a hot area.”

Members of the Suffolk International Law Society have helped plan the competition and will serve as bailiffs. Next year, the event will move to Frankfurt and then to Pepperdine before returning to Suffolk Law in 2010.

Gibson is excited about the competition’s potential. “It’s good for students, it’s good for international exchange, and it’s good for the law school,” he says. “And it’s an opportunity for our students to find jobs in this field.”

—Dan Tobin

SPILG Auction Raises Money for Public Interest Internships

The Suffolk Public Interest Law Group (SPILG) raised more than \$45,000—its highest-ever tally—during its 13th annual auction, held February 25 to 27 at Sargent Hall.

Led by second-year student coordinators Heather Warnken, Sarah Kelley, and Katy O’Leary, the SPILG auction committee staged a three-day event that included both live and silent auctions. The money raised will support students working in legal service programs and in public defender, prosecutor, and government offices across the country.

During the live auction, Professors David Yamada, Andrew Perlman, Jeffrey Pokorak, Michael Avery, and Renée Landers and Associate Dean Linda Simard took turns manning the microphone and driving up bids on items such as Simard’s Wiffle Ball Tournament and Barbecue; Professor Barry Brown’s “Boating with

Barry Brown,” including roundtrip airfare on Cape Air and a day on his yacht; and coveted Red Sox-Yankees tickets, courtesy of a last-minute contribution from Avery.

Popular items at the silent auction included yoga classes, Red Sox tickets, and a private tour of the Bronx Zoo.

Proceeds from the annual event provide stipends for students participating in summer internships in government and public service who would otherwise go unpaid. Last year’s auction funds supported 55 students interning at organizations such as Lawyers Without Borders, the Legal Aid Society of New York, and the civil rights division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

“The SPILG Annual Auction is crucial to the success of SPILG’s mission, which is to support and encourage public service by Suffolk Law students,” says Michelle



Harper, director of public interest and pro bono programs at the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service and coordinator of this year’s event. “This year’s success can be attributed to the hard work and dedication of the entire SPILG board and, most importantly, to the tireless commitment of the auction coordinators. Heather, Sarah, and Katy spent countless hours planning, organizing, and implementing this event, and their energy and efforts obviously paid off.”

School for Thought

When Heena Trivedi first arrived at Suffolk Law, she would not have guessed that there was any connection between the demands of her law school career and the needs of local middle school students. But her participation in a new partnership—the first of its kind in the nation—between Suffolk Law and Boston-based nonprofit organization Citizen Schools opened her mind to the possibilities of public service.

Last fall, the third-year law student began tutoring a local eighth-grade student named Demar on a weekly basis, meeting with him for several hours after school to work on his writing skills. Their commitment quickly paid off: Demar's teachers recognized a dramatic improvement in his behavior, and his grades began to rise.

"The experience with Citizen Schools expanded my knowledge of ways in which lawyers can give back to the community regardless of the type of law they choose to practice," Trivedi says.

Citizen Schools is a national network of after-school education programs connecting low-income students in sixth through eighth grades with adult mentors. Through the network, the young students participate in

apprenticeships or hands-on learning projects where they pick up skills like managing a stock portfolio, building a website, mastering international recipes, or lobbying for environmental causes. Middle school students who participate in Citizen Schools demonstrate stronger attendance records, reduced disciplinary incidents, higher standardized test scores, and a greater likelihood of placement in college-track high schools.

Suffolk Law is the first university-level school in the country to become involved with Citizen Schools. The Suffolk Law mentors primarily serve as a team of writing coaches, helping their students with school assignments and high school admissions essays.

"The program is by all measures tremendously successful," says Susan Prosnitz, executive director of Suffolk Law's Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service. Prosnitz has worked closely with the program for several years, first as an apprentice teacher and currently as

a member of the organization's Council of Champions, a peer group of leaders in the Boston area who offer support and visibility to the organization.



Third-year law student David Slott works with eighth grader Marcus Simon.

When she first advertised the new opportunity to the Suffolk Law community last fall, students and faculty alike jumped at the chance to volunteer; today there is a waiting list to get involved.

"I think this says a lot about the caliber of students who are coming to Suffolk Law," Prosnitz says. "It's a pretty extraordinary commitment, considering the time constraints of law students."

Trivedi, an executive board member of Suffolk Law's Student Bar Association, was unable to formally continue the program this spring, but she continues to meet with Demar on an informal basis to help him with his schoolwork.

"This partnership is good for the eighth graders, but it's just as exciting and rewarding for us law students," Trivedi says.

—Lauren Walser

Suffolk Law Launches iTunes U site

Suffolk Law has gone digital.

The law school launched its iTunes U site in January, giving students unprecedented access to digital content and promoting the school's mission to a broader audience.


Billed as "the campus that never sleeps," Apple's iTunes U allows professors to upload course content for student access, with automatic downloads available to subscribers when new content goes live. Additional content will be made available to the general public through the iTunes Store; Suffolk Law is currently one of six law schools in the nation to utilize the public interface, joining the ranks of the law schools of Stanford University, Duke University, New York University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Arizona.



"It expands our audience tremendously," says Ian Menchini, director of electronic marketing and enrollment management. "iTunes being the clear dominant force in this industry helps us greatly in our efforts to become even more of a national and international law school."

Accessed through either the iTunes Store or the law school website, the Suffolk Law iTunes U site includes videotaped mock trials, podcasts on how to write a legal memorandum, and mp3 files of Dean of Admissions Gail Ellis responding to the most frequently asked questions of prospective law students. Future features will include webcasts of open houses, mock classes, and mock trial competitions.

Irene Good, director of academic technology at the law school, says she is encouraged by faculty's response to the school's latest innovative offering.

"Lawyers in general are pretty conservative in terms of trying new things," she said. "Here we've got faculty who are actually excited about making public content." 

Two New Lecture Series Launched

Two new lecture series at Suffolk Law are attracting an esteemed lineup of speakers to reflect on issues ranging from reproductive rights to migrant worker care.

The law school's LLM Program in Global Law and Technology has teamed up with LexisNexis to launch the new Intellectual Property Lecture Series, bringing in top legal authorities to discuss important developments in copyright law in the Internet era. A second lecture series, the Comparative Law and Society Series, underwent a major expansion this year, bringing in a dozen leading law and society scholars to speak at weekly faculty lunches on issues surrounding internationalism and globalism in law.

"The Internet has changed everything, and there are competing interests fighting for protection or for loosening protection," says Professor Stephen Hicks, academic director of graduate programs, who helped bring the LLM speaker series to fruition.

Speakers have included Paul Goldstein, the Lillick Professor of Law at Stanford Law School, who delivered the inaugural lecture, "The Quiet Revolution in

Copyright"; and Paul Bender, professor of law and dean emeritus at Arizona State University's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, who rounded out the year in April with "Copyright and the Constitution."



The events attracted members of both the Intellectual Property Section of the American Bar Association and the New England Chapter of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A.

"It's a fabulous opportunity for our students," says Bridgett Halay,

administrative director of graduate and international programs, "and it adds to Suffolk Law's reputation in the intellectual property practice area."

The Comparative Law and Society Series originally began three years ago under the direction of Professors Jessica Silbey, Frank Cooper, and Miguel Schor. When Dean Alfred Aman joined the law school last summer, he encouraged the series to grow. This year, 12 scholars were recruited throughout the year, creating what Silbey calls an "intellectual workshop" for the faculty.

This year's speakers covered a broad spectrum of issues. Matthew Palmer of Yale Law School, the former pro vice-chancellor and dean of law at Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand, spoke in September about New Zealand's unwritten constitution, and Beth Lyon of Villanova University spoke in March about different approaches to caring for migrant workers in the United States.

"This series brings home the personal connection of scholarship," says Silbey. "It reminds the faculty that our research is a part of something bigger."

—Lauren Walser

Former Death Row Inmate Speaks at Suffolk Law

As convicted murderer William "Billy" Moore awaited electrocution in a Georgia penitentiary, he wondered if his would be a long and grueling death, or a quick and painless one.

Miraculously, he didn't have to find out. Seven hours before his scheduled execution in 1984, the U.S. Supreme Court stayed Moore's execution.

"Take those chains off of him," Moore remembered a guard saying at the

time. "Your old cell is still open. And we'll get you the next time."

In March the now-Reverend Moore stood in a navy blue suit before a group of Suffolk Law students, sharing insights into a case that grabbed nationwide

headlines and came to symbolize the battle over capital punishment.

In 1974 a young Moore pleaded guilty to the murder of 77-year-old Fredger Stapleton, a friend's uncle whom Moore shot during an attempted home robbery. Moore experienced a religious conversion before his sentencing and went on to minister in prison, corresponding with hundreds of people outside the prison walls.

By the late 1980s, Moore's case had gone through multiple appeals, reached the U.S. Supreme Court, and been remanded to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. In 1990, he was given a new execution date of August 21. The day before his scheduled execution, however, the Supreme Court granted a 30-day stay, and the Georgia Board of Pardons and Paroles was left to decide Moore's fate.

By this time, public support had rallied around Moore, with the victim's family

organizing a bus trip to the parole board hearings to urge commutation of his sentence. Even the Reverend Jesse Jackson had grown vocal over the issue. But it might have been the voice of Mother Teresa calling from India, Moore told the Suffolk Law audience, that weighed most on the minds of the parole board members.

"You need to do what Jesus would do," Moore recalled her saying.

All five parole board members voted to commute Moore's death sentence to life in prison. Thirteen months later, on November 8, 1991, a 39-year-old Moore was paroled.

Asked by a Suffolk Law student about the ongoing battle over capital punishment, Moore said that, sadly, too many people still view it as a remedy for crime.

"I don't think that the issue will ever be resolved," he said.

—Jeannie Greeley



Law Briefs

The Field of Law

Some Suffolk Law students are networking in a novel way: by tackling other law students. Since 2005, the Suffolk University Law School Rugby Football Club has provided a unique opportunity for law students looking to make connections through the world of sport.



"It's a great outlet for a high-intensity situation like law school," says third-year student and club president Danny O'Hara. "But we also wanted to set something up that will have a real benefit after school."

After their cleats got them kicked off of the Boston Common, the club began playing at the Pine Banks Park in nearby Malden. They've faced local men's clubs as well as clubs from Harvard Business School and MIT. But they've also squared off against other law school teams, like those from the University at Albany and Vermont Law School. And that means sparring with fellow law students—on the field.

"You play a few matches, you start to recognize faces," O'Hara says. "Then you see them in court or at government functions. There are real legal connections involved."

But the team also stresses a service component. "We wanted some type of civic aspect to fit in with other clubs at Suffolk," O'Hara says. Once a month, the club serves meals at the New England



O'Hara, who is planning a career in business law after graduation, hopes the rugby team one day coalesces into

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Shelter for Homeless Veterans downtown, and in February the club participated in the Race Up Boston Place fundraiser to benefit the American Lung Association.



a legitimate networking tool, citing Albany's team as a model.

"These kids are getting jobs," he says excitedly. "The scholastic-athletic

connection in rugby is strong, and we're hoping the club can plant seeds for the future."

—Dan Tobin

Suffolk Law Hosts New England Council Summit

More than 200 policymakers, academics, and energy industry experts gathered at Suffolk Law in October for the New England Council summit "New England Innovation: Ideas for the Region's Energy Future."

Sixteen New England congressmen took part in panel discussions exploring alternative energy and previewing energy legislation. Representative Edward Markey (D-Massachusetts) delivered the keynote address, "Outlook for Energy Legislation in this Session," and Representative John Larson (D-Connecticut) concluded the two-day conference with a presentation titled "The Strength of a Regional Approach in Congress."

The conference was organized by New England's U.S. congressional delegation and the New England Council, a regional association of businesses, academic and health care institutions, and public and private organizations that works to promote economic growth.



Dean Alfred Aman, Suffolk University Vice President John A. Nucci MPA '79, and Massachusetts Congressman Edward J. Markey



Back row, from left: James McGovern (D-MA), John Larson (D-CT), Dean Aman, Joseph Courtney (D-CT), John Olver (D-MA), William Delahunt (D-MA), Carol Shea-Porter (D-NH), Peter Welch (D-VT), Michael Capuano (D-MA), James T. Brett (President and CEO, New England Council). Center: James Langevin (D-RI).

Suffolk Law Mourns Passing of Oldest Alumnus

John Gardner JD '31 celebrated his 100th birthday just one year after Suffolk University's centennial, the institution and its graduate so close in age that Gardner was more like a sibling than an alumnus. When he passed away last fall after a brief battle with cancer, the Suffolk community lost not only a good friend but someone who knew the school from its earliest days.

"Suffolk and John Gardner grew together over the course of a century, and our school was the richer for it," says Suffolk University president David Sargent. "All of us here mourn his loss, but we are grateful that he was able to come to our centennial and share his experiences from when both he and Suffolk were younger."

Born and raised in Dorchester, Massachusetts, Gardner's story was a classic Suffolk Law tale: he enrolled because the school's flexible schedule allowed him to keep his full-time job as

a trolley tour operator. His admissions interview? A conversation with Suffolk University founder Gleason Archer. "I simply walked in there one day and introduced myself to him," Gardner told *Suffolk Alumni Magazine* in 2006. "I had a nice talk with him and decided to enroll. He was a real gentleman."



In those years, Suffolk Law was just one building behind the State House. The neon sign on its roof was looked down on by the city's establishment, but it was a beacon to working men and women like Gardner, because Suffolk Law understood the challenges they faced in seeking an education. A full slate of night classes meant Gardner could work seven days a week while pursuing his degree.

And instead of paying tuition as a lump sum, Gardner and other students could purchase a ticket for each class, like going to the movies.

Those years of hard work paid off bountifully over the next seven decades. After earning his juris doctor in 1931, Gardner gave up giving tours and began his long career as a successful attorney. He served in the military during World War II and was an Air Force judge advocate general. After the war, he founded the firm of Karp, Gardner, Karp and Walsh and became a world-traveling corporate attorney. He later served as of counsel at Charnoy, Stolzberg & Holian LLP in Boston. Last spring, at the age of 99, Gardner was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws at the Suffolk University commencement.

He is survived by three sons and many grandchildren, but his legacy includes everyone who knew him at Suffolk. "I don't think there was ever a Suffolk function he didn't attend," says Distinguished Professor John Fenton Jr., who knew Gardner for 50 years. "He was a tremendously loyal alumnus who was very proud that he went to Suffolk."

—Thomas Gearty

Defending Children of War

The case of Omar Khadr, a Canadian national captured in Afghanistan at age 15 and held at Guantanamo Bay ever since, has drawn international attention. Now, two Suffolk Law professors have submitted an amicus brief on Khadr's behalf. Together with the Juvenile Law Center in Philadelphia, Professors Erik Pitchal and Jeff Pokorak have argued that, under international law, the military commissions set to prosecute Khadr have no jurisdiction over children.

"This may be more important than any other case in Guantanamo," says Pokorak. "Throughout history, no one has tried to prosecute child soldiers. This is the first time the U.S. has tried."

Khadr was captured during a raid in southeast Afghanistan in 2002. Forced to fight for the Taliban at age 10, he was seized at age 15 and sent to Guantanamo, where he has spent the

past five-plus years awaiting trial as an enemy combatant. "The U.S. should be committed to the international agenda of not using children as a tool of war," says Pitchal. "But the Bush administration is totally making it up as they're going along."



Courtesy AP

Khadr is the only juvenile at the facility, which makes his case unique. "There's a broad international consensus that

children under 18 should not be fighting in war," says Pitchal. In the brief, he and Pokorak cite treaties signed by the U.S. that touch on that very issue. "The U.S. has spent millions on rehabilitation programs in Afghanistan for children conscripted into the Taliban," he says. "This is completely hypocritical for the U.S."

The Khadr case is currently in litigation over another issue: Khadr's detention with adults when he was a youth. Pokorak doesn't anticipate the decision regarding the appropriateness of the tribunal to be resolved in the trial court until sometime this summer.

But in the meantime, it's a case that Pokorak believes raises important questions. "How does the U.S. treat children involved in war?" he asks. "Do we treat them as victims, like the rest of the world? Or do we treat them as killers who can be prosecuted, and who could get the death penalty?"

—Dan Tobin

Professor Pushes Back on Bullying

The phrase *dream job* no longer exists in Professor David Yamada's vocabulary.

Years spent researching workplace behavior and advocating for legislation to prevent employee bullying have enlightened the law professor to the harsh realities of office life.

"There's just no shortage of ways that people can get mistreated at work," says Yamada, who specializes in labor and employment law and recently founded the New Workplace Institute to engage in research and education about employee dignity and workplace bullying.

Motivated by the grievances of former co-workers, Yamada delved into bullying research in the mid-1990s and discovered that bullying wasn't protected against under the umbrella of employment

law. In 1998 he joined forces with Gary and Ruth Namie, married doctors who had co-founded the Workplace Bullying Institute to explore the psychological effects of workplace bullying but didn't have anyone tasked with legal and policy work.

In 2000, Yamada created the first comprehensive legal analysis of workplace bullying under American law, claiming that current protections were legally inadequate. Three years later, Yamada's Healthy Workplace Bill was first introduced in the California legislature and has since been introduced by a dozen state legislatures. Although it has yet to be enacted, the bill has received renewed attention lately, giving Yamada hope that it will soon become law.

In the meantime, simply creating a legal definition for bullying has given many people solace, Yamada says, since their mistreatment and its resulting effects can often be difficult to explain. Many victims of bullying become depressed, suffer high blood pressure, or simply can't get out of bed to go to work.

"It's really difficult for people even in those situations to articulate what they're going through because they haven't had a label," says Yamada. "Unless you know what's happening to you, you really start to question your own judgment."

But the tides of public sentiment may be turning. Recent articles in the *New York Times* and at *Forbes.com*—both of which quoted Yamada—highlighted the issue of workplace bullying, and the topic was a focal point at the Seventh International Conference on Work, Stress, and Health, held in March in Washington, D.C.

To detractors who claim that workers have simply gone soft, Yamada says his work goes far beyond settling the simple workplace dust-up.

"At some point there is a difference between a tough boss and an abusive one," he says. "No one should be free to basically try to destroy someone's ability to make a living and get away with it."

—Jeannie Greeley

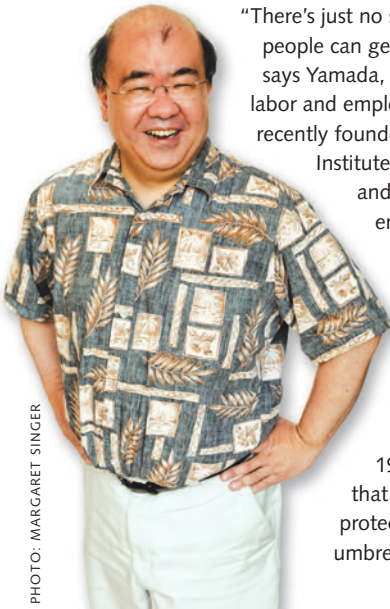


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Documenting Moakley's International Legacy



Suffolk University history professor Chris Rodriguez (left) and Moakley Institute Director Julia Collins listen to Leonel Gomez speak about Congressman Moakley. Gomez served as Moakley's guide in El Salvador.

Congressman Joe Moakley JD '56 devoted 30 years of his life to public service, but there were two other legacies that were equally important to him.

One was his alma mater. Moakley acknowledged his special bond with Suffolk Law by giving his papers to the university archives before he died in 2001. His gift enabled the establishment of Suffolk's John Joseph Moakley Archive and Institute that same year.

The other was his relationship with El Salvador, where he played a pivotal role in ending the bloody civil war that ravaged the country from 1980 to 1992. It was, Moakley once wrote, the greatest cause he had ever been involved in.

This past January, university archivist and Moakley Institute director Julia Collins traveled to El Salvador with a group of

Suffolk University students to weave these two strands of Moakley's life together. There she gathered oral histories and met with local leaders in La Mora and Santa Marta—two poor, rural communities that were close to Moakley's heart.

"We are both an archive and an institute," Collins says of her department. "We have the responsibility not just to gather more materials but to keep Moakley's legacy alive."

In El Salvador, Collins saw signs of that legacy all around: Santa Marta has electricity because of Moakley; the road to La Mora is paved because of Moakley. "People still remember and revere him," Collins says. "They had promises before from other U.S. officials that never materialized. Moakley came through."

Collins gathered photographs, documents and recordings of interviews with men and women who could offer their stories about this intersection between Boston and the history of El Salvador.



Collins (left) and Suffolk Law Chelsea Program Coordinator Ana Vaquerano stand beneath a dwelling where Moakley slept during a visit to El Salvador.

The recordings of the oral histories will be transcribed in both Spanish and English and made available to the public in the archive and through the Moakley Institute's website. And next January, Collins will return to El Salvador to continue her archival research.

"The archive needs the Salvadoran perspective," she says. "We learn more every time we go to El Salvador from people who knew Moakley. We learn things that were not in the public record. It creates a complete picture for us of his life and work."

—Thomas Gearty

Good Technology

Since arriving at Suffolk Law last October, Director of Academic Technology Irene Good has worked with faculty interested in incorporating technology into their courses. “So many people here have great ideas about how to improve their teaching and engage students more,” says Good. “It’s just a great place.”

One innovation Good has brought to Suffolk Law is the use of clickers, which are handheld devices students can use to respond to questions immediately (and anonymously) during a lecture. “Sometimes it’s hard to tell if the whole class is understanding what’s going on,” says Good. By administering mini-quizzes mid-lecture and requiring students to answer by clicker, the professor can determine whether the information being taught is really sinking in. “It’s like a game show,” she says. “Just a lot more difficult.”



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Good earned her JD from Boston College and a master’s in library science from Syracuse University. While working at the Boston College Law Library, she became increasingly involved in technology. “I could already speak the law language,” she says. “So I also learned the tech

language and became an education technology specialist. But a lot of my technology background is self-taught.”

Although she acknowledges the difficulty of finding faculty willing to teach online classes, Good sees great opportunity for distance learning at the law school, both for the LLM and evening programs. “Students appreciate not having to come into a building all the time,” she says. “They can work from home and get a break.”

Just after Thanksgiving, Good spoke about distance learning at a great distance from home: Hongik University in Korea. “They liked hearing about ABA-approved programs and online courses,” she says. “They were really interested in distance learning. It was a great audience.”

—Dan Tobin

Focus on Fundraising

After five years spent fundraising for Suffolk University, senior development officer Shelagh O’Brien is shifting her focus to Suffolk Law. “I’ll be the dean’s point person on fundraising,” she says. “By increasing participation, we’ll take programs that are already strong and make them even stronger through philanthropic support.”



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A Holy Cross graduate scheduled to complete her Suffolk MBA this spring, O’Brien became the major gift officer for Suffolk Law in 2003 before becoming campaign director for the university. Before joining Suffolk, she worked at a fundraising consulting firm, soliciting funds for the Archdiocese of Boston.

O’Brien’s previous experience at the law school gives her a unique perspective heading into her newly created position.

“I’ll be working to build partnerships with faculty and staff, and identifying ways alumni can support the school,” she says.

One priority will be to increase the percentage of alumni who contribute. “Right now only 12 percent of alumni make gifts,” says O’Brien. “We can’t do what we do at Suffolk without the help of alumni,

and at all levels. Every gift really makes a difference.”

And O’Brien clearly believes in the school she works for and attends. “It is a special place,” she says. “Even with its size, it’s a very personal community—both on its own and as part of the greater community. Everyone I’ve met, from alumni to faculty, is grateful for what Suffolk has done for them.”

—Dan Tobin

Suffolk Law Student Performs National Anthem

As thousands of hockey fans cheered her on, third-year student Jill Apelgren sang “The Star-Spangled Banner” at TD Banknorth



Garden before a Boston Bruins–New York Islanders game in January. Apelgren, who is in the Family Law Clinic, studied voice at Berklee College of Music in Boston as an undergraduate. Those in attendance included several Suffolk Law students and attorneys from Swiggart & Agin LLC, where Apelgren worked this year. The

performance marked the first time Apelgren has publicly sung the national anthem as a solo performer. “It was a lot of fun, because I’m a huge hockey fan,” she says.

Recently, Apelgren performed an encore: she sang the national anthem at this year’s Suffolk Law commencement ceremony.

Professor Richard Pizzano

Making His Mentoring Mark

In his complementary roles

as advisor to the Suffolk Law Moot Court Program and faculty advisor to the constitutional law moot court competition teams, Professor Richard Pizzano spends many hours each year mentoring a talented, driven group of Suffolk Law students. And each year, under his tutelage, these students shine, showcasing the intellect and dedication that exemplifies the best Suffolk Law has to offer.

"He's very flexible," says Michael Forte, a fourth-year JD/MBA student. "Rather than remake a person completely, he takes skills that you already have developed and tries to refine them, take some of the corners off."

Forte knows firsthand the benefits of this approach: in 2006 he was part of Pizzano's constitutional law team, which beat out more than 30 other teams from across the country to win the J. Braxton Craven Competition at the University of North Carolina. Last year, coached by Pizzano again, Forte was named the outstanding oral advocate at the American Constitution Society's Constance Baker Motley National Moot Court Competition.

Where do Pizzano's mentoring skills come from? The most likely answer is that it takes one to know one.

Pizzano's association with the moot court teams stretches back to his own days as a student. Both he and his wife Joan attended Suffolk as undergraduates and received their JDs from Suffolk Law.

Pizzano is proud to say that he was on the first moot court board at Suffolk Law. "My class was the first year we did any kind of appellate presentations," he says.



When Pizzano graduated, Suffolk Law immediately snapped up the standout student, hiring him to teach courses in agency, civil procedure, and corporations. Shortly thereafter, then-moot court advisor Associate Dean John Fenton Jr. received an appointment as a judge, and Pizzano took over the program's reins. "I've been the advisor ever since," he says.

As the moot court program has grown in both scale and accomplishment, Pizzano's responsibilities have kept pace. Today he advises the Moot Court Board, the student group that publishes the *Suffolk Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy* and that organizes four internal competitions, including the McLaughlin and Clark competitions; he also oversees

all the trial and appellate teams that travel to competitions around the country. For those teams, Pizzano prepares the budgets and decides which competitions to enter.

Pizzano also keeps his hand in the game as the coach for the constitutional law teams, meeting with participating students every day for a month or more before a competition. Add in his teaching schedule, and you have a hard measure of his devotion to Suffolk Law's students.

"I love working with the students. I love the up-close, personal aspect of what I do, whether it's the students I coach or the students I advise on the Moot Court Board," he says.

According to Forte, the level of advocacy at the interscholastic competitions is so high that many competitions are decided by fractions of points—and that's where the dedication of an experienced coach like Pizzano pays off. "Those little things that you work on with the faculty advisor during practice rounds really can make a difference between—in the most drastic sense—winning and losing," Forte says. "But overall the competition is less about winning and losing at this level. It's more about retaining and improving on the skills that you're going to need when you go out into the real world."

Pizzano agrees on all counts. "We don't always come home with the top prizes," he says, "but we're out there, the Suffolk Law name is out there, and people are impressed with what they see."

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Dear Suffolk Law Alumnae and Alumni,

One of the many wonderful things I have come to appreciate about Suffolk University Law School in my first year as dean is the energy and enthusiasm the alumni have for the school.

We have an excellent opportunity to harness this energy through the law school's new online Career Advisory Network, which is part of the Alumni Online Community. The network is your source for finding and connecting to SULLS alumni in practice areas and geographic areas that interest you. It is also of great value to current students who would like the career advice of alumni. Whether you are in your dream job, considering a career change, or still exploring your options, the Career Advisory Network can help.

To take advantage of the new service, you must activate your membership in the Alumni Online Community. To guarantee your privacy, only you can activate your membership in the online community, using your unique ID number found on the address label of this magazine.

GO TO <http://www.law.suffolk.edu/offices/alumni/> and click on "Enter the Online Community."

Once you have activated your membership, click on "Career Advisory Network" and complete an in-depth profile, including information on your areas of expertise and work history. If you are recruiting interns and employees for your organization, you can note that in your profile as well.

Once you are registered, the Career Advisory Network allows you to:

- Search in-depth career profiles of fellow alumni
- Contact alumni for career advice
- Help guide future alumni with their career aspirations
- Decide the types and frequency of contacts you receive

Should you have any questions regarding our Career Advisory Network, please contact Sarah Libby in the Law School Career Development Office at 617.305.1675 or slibby@suffolk.edu.

I hope you will register and participate in this new online program.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alfred C. Aman, Jr."

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Nina Mitchell Wells JD '76 has blazed trails—both as a woman and an African American—on her way to becoming New Jersey's secretary of state. But she takes the greatest pride in her role as a children's educator.

All's Wells

Raising their family in a segregated neighborhood in the Washington, D.C., of the 1950s, Ignatius and Pearline Mitchell toiled at several jobs to make sure their children were well educated. Ignatius worked as a mail sorter in the postal cars of trains that ran back and forth between Washington and New York, and moonlighted as a carpenter; Pearline always had one or more jobs at a shop, restaurant, or hospital. Together they scrimped and saved. By the time their daughter Nina, the fourth of their seven children, was ready for high school, the Mitchells could afford to pay her tuition at an all-girls' Catholic school.

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On the first day of ninth grade, most of the white girls were put into academic classes, on the college preparatory track. Nina Mitchell and most of the other black girls were put into business classes, on the track to become secretaries.

“That first day, when I came home from school with that typing book,” she recalls four decades later, “my dad put on his suit, and he went down to that school, and he told those nuns to take his daughter and all those other black girls and put them in college prep courses. And they did.”

The lesson from that day—never to let anyone else tell her what she cannot do, simply because she is black and female—was just one of many that young Nina learned from Ignatius and Pearlina Mitchell. Every Sunday after church, the parents took the whole brood to one of Washington’s many museums, especially the Smithsonian or one of its branches. The family then talked about what they had seen and read about history, culture, and the arts. Her parents’ teachings served Nina Mitchell well through college and Suffolk University Law School as well as a long and varied career in law, philanthropy, and public service.

She is now Nina Mitchell Wells JD ’76, the New Jersey secretary of state. A key part of her job is to expose thousands of children to education, arts, and culture in the same way her parents did for her. “From my own life, I know that kind of exposure is so eye-opening, so enriching, and so empowering,” she says. “There’s nothing more important we can do for our children.”

In high school, Nina Mitchell went on to become one of the best students in the academic program as well as president of the senior class. During that time, she also met Ted Wells, a

(her earlier schooling experience notwithstanding), she decided to major in sociology.

“For the first time, I got a real sense of the disparities in the African

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football star at a nearby all-boys high school, and they began dating. When he received a football scholarship to the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, he persuaded her to enroll in Newton College of the Sacred Heart, an all-women’s school only 45 minutes away. (Newton was later absorbed into Boston College.)

After growing up in an all-black community, Nina Mitchell suffered from extreme culture shock. “Why do the security people always follow me around in the stores?” she asked her white classmates in Newton. She had always wanted to be a nurse, but after experiencing such racial discrimination up close

American community,” she says. “That was during the start of the busing era in Boston. It was very contentious, and race relations were very tense, very difficult.” She began volunteering in Dorchester and Roxbury, organizing tenants against unfair landlord practices and setting up an ecology-themed summer day camp for neighborhood kids. Her senior thesis was titled “Community Organization: The Politics of the Poor.” After hearing Gloria Steinem at a conference, she committed herself to women’s issues, too.

At home for winter break during her senior year, she and Ted Wells impulsively decided to get married. She bought a red dress for \$15,

he borrowed a dashiki, and together they exchanged vows in her parents' living room after Christmas dinner. After graduating, Ted went on to Harvard Law, and Nina took a job with the Social Security Administration. But between her husband's passionate talk about what he was learning at law school and her own experiences in the poor neighborhoods, she decided that a law degree would help her have more impact. She was admitted to Boston College Law School but was not offered any financial aid. Wells then applied to Suffolk Law.

At that time, Suffolk Law had a brand-new admissions director, John C. Deliso, who had just earned his own JD from the law school. Hard as it may be to imagine today, in 1972 women made up no more than 5 percent of the law school's student body; black students were even rarer. But the law school had a new dean, David J. Sargent, now president of the university, who encouraged Deliso to recruit more women and minorities, and Deliso undertook the task with gusto.

"It was something that came not only from my heart, but from the institutional heart," says Deliso, now associate dean of the law school. He visited more than a hundred colleges that first year on the job, seeking minorities and women interested in applying to Suffolk Law.

Imagine Deliso's delight, then, when Wells came to him. He told her that Suffolk Law wanted her and offered an attractive financial aid package. "Suffolk aggressively recruited me," she remembers, smiling.

Three years later, after a distinguished law school career that included publishing a number of scholarly articles and helping to lead a then-new student organization, the Black American Law Students Association, Wells graduated in 1975.

Nina and Ted Wells moved to Newark, where he had a federal clerkship and she worked as a municipal prosecutor. He subsequently went into private practice and made a national name for himself for his work on complex, headline-grabbing corporate lawsuits and high-profile white-collar crime. He has led the defense for a number of

In 1978, Wells gave birth to their daughter Teresa and took a five-week maternity leave. Two years later, after she had moved on to a corporate counsel position with New Jersey Bell, their son Phillip was born, and she came back to work after four weeks. "I just felt it was very important for women to show that just because we have children is no reason to inhibit us from practicing law or being full-time professionals," she says. "It was an important message to send at that time. I didn't want my male colleagues to feel like they had to work doubly hard because the phone company had hired a woman."



prominent public officials, including two cabinet members, former vice presidential aide Lewis "Scooter" Libby, and former New York Governor Elliot Spitzer.

Over the next 12 years, she advised on Bell's real estate deals, often appearing before local planning boards. "I got to know New Jersey pretty well," she says. With live-in

help, Ted and Nina Wells juggled family life. As his career took off, though, he was spending more time away on trials. So Nina took a job that allowed her to spend more time at home: bringing legal challenges against utility rate increases for the state's public advocate office.



Wells is sworn in as New Jersey Secretary of State on January 17, 2006, as Governor Jon S. Corzine (center) looks on.

When their children were in ninth and seventh grades, she announced that she was taking a sabbatical to be a full-time mom. That proposed career track quickly evolved into that of full-time mom and part-time philanthropist and activist. "I got hooked on nonprofits," she says—the Girl Scouts, the Fresh Air Fund, the United Negro College Fund, the Association of Black Women Lawyers, and a dozen more. She rolled up her sleeves and helped renovate a convent into a center for kids who had been taken into foster care by the state, she shopped for Christmas gifts for the needy, she sat on boards, and she threw wine and cheese fundraisers at her home. She and Ted also began raising money for Democratic candidates such as former Senator Bill Bradley and longtime

Congressman Donald Payne. Through all the charity work and fundraisers, the Wellses' two children worked alongside their mom.

After two years, Nina Wells was fully immersed in the nonprofit world, her kids were fully immersed in high school, and she was ready to go back to work. She spent several years as counsel to a commercial finance firm not far from the family home in Livingston, New Jersey, and then several years as an assistant dean at Rutgers Law School, where she mentored many female students. Her first non-law job was at Schering-Plough, the pharmaceutical company, where she was vice president for public affairs and head of the company's philanthropic activities.

One of her projects for the Schering-Plough Foundation was at a community health center seeking federal seed money. She contacted the office of Jon Corzine, then the junior U.S. senator from New Jersey. He spent a day with her, listening to presentations about how the center's preventive programs would not only serve the public but save money in medical costs. A few weeks later, more than \$1 million came through from Washington. "That's how government should work," Wells told her children. She became a Corzine fan, helping to raise money for his successful 2005 run for governor. Wells's daughter Teresa also worked on Corzine's campaign, and after the election she became part of his press staff.

During the transition, Corzine came to see Wells. They talked about education and the arts, and then he asked if she would come to Trenton, the state capital, as his secretary of state—an appointed office and the state's chief official for overseeing elections and promoting the arts and tourism. In January 2006 Wells became Corzine's first appointee.

Her life now is a whirl of boards and awards—sitting on or giving speeches to boards, and either giving or accepting awards. At museums, parks, galleries, historical sites, jazz fests, art festivals, farmers' markets, libraries, schools, and day care centers, she is the smiling ceremonial face of the state and has become one of its most recognized and most popular citizens. "Today's Renaissance Woman," headlines call her.

"Nina Mitchell Wells is an extraordinary advocate and a distinguished leader," says Corzine. "As secretary of state, she is a tireless champion of arts and culture, volunteerism, New Jersey's rich historical legacy, as well as the Garden State's \$37 billion travel and tourism industry. And in this crucial election year, I've placed the Division of Elections under her stewardship. She is indeed a valued member of my cabinet."

Many others are effusive, too, starting with her husband.

"Nina has had such a fascinating legal career," Ted Wells says. "She has been a prosecutor, a corporate lawyer, a public interest lawyer, an associate law school dean at Rutgers, vice president of public affairs at a

multinational corporation, and now secretary of state. And she did it all while raising two great children and dealing with the fact that my trial schedule kept me away from home quite often. She is the true Superwoman.”

Nina Wells, meanwhile, says she has come full circle. “With my life, I know that going to museums and being exposed to culture and the arts for myself, as well as all my siblings, it really changed, I think, our view of the world,” she says. “It really opened it up. It gave us a whole different perspective on what was potentially available to us. And allowed us to really go beyond our neighborhood in Washington, D.C., and see the potential and the future for ourselves.”

Her only interest outside work these days is family: Ted Wells is a senior partner and head of the renowned litigation department at the New York firm Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton

& Garrison; Teresa worked for John Edwards’ presidential campaign and is now weighing other political staff jobs; and Phillip graduated from Fordham Law last year and is now an associate at the New York firm Schulte Roth & Zabel. On the rare evenings when she doesn’t have official duties, Wells is often at the theater—a busman’s holiday—or cooking for family and friends at home. Bouillabaisse is a favorite, along with Cajun dishes. “I am sure that my husband married me for my crab cakes,” she says.


She insists she has no plans beyond serving as secretary of state, but others may have plans for her. New Jersey is one of the few states that does not currently have a lieutenant governor, but that will change after the next statewide election in 2009, when Corzine is expected to run for re-election and New Jersey will elect a lieutenant governor for the first time. Corzine has not hinted at a running mate, but Nina Mitchell Wells is

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one of the names mentioned by political observers. She says she is not interested.

“No desire whatsoever,” she says. “I am committed to public service, but I am not a politician.”

But who knows? Maybe the girl whose father pulled her out of typing class will become the woman who sees running for office as yet another statement she can make on behalf of black women everywhere. As Wells puts it, “I never separate myself from being black and a woman. I always appreciate the fact that whenever I’ve done well, when I have excelled, it’s undoubtedly been beneficial in terms of both African-Americans and women.” 

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SINCE SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL GRADUATED ITS FIRST CLASS IN 1909, 27 STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE COME AND GONE IN MASSACHUSETTS. AND IT'S A CERTAINTY THAT SUFFOLK LAW MEN (AND LATER WOMEN) SERVED IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF EVERY ONE OF THEM: PUBLIC SERVICE, AFTER ALL, REFLECTS SCHOOL FOUNDER GLEASON ARCHER'S IDEAL OF BETTERING ONESELF WHILE BETTERING ONE'S COMMUNITY.

NEARLY A CENTURY LATER, THAT TRADITION CONTINUES IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNOR DEVAL PATRICK, AS SUFFOLK LAW GRADUATES CAN BE FOUND IN EVERY CORNER OF THE STATE HOUSE—INCLUDING THREE AT THE CABINET LEVEL.

Top *of the* Hill

Every year many of the hundreds of bright, ambitious students graduating from Suffolk University Law School head for positions of influence, not a few of which are located only steps away, atop Beacon Hill.

One such graduate, Suzanne M. Bump JD '88, commands a busy office suite on the 21st floor of the glass-and-concrete beehive of state bureaucracy known as One Ashburton Place. She is Secretary of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, an architect of jobs and a referee of fair play between employers and employees. The office is a long way from the tiny town of Whitman, Massachusetts, where as a funeral director's daughter Bump defied convention and fused law and politics into a career that shows no sign of slowing down.

Another alumnus, Michael E. Festa JD '79, has his own corner office on Beacon Hill, his own grand view, and his own place in the still-new administration of Governor Patrick. He is Secretary of the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, dedicated to security and dignity for seniors. The son of a waitress and postal worker, Festa grew up in Melrose, Massachusetts, so determined for a role in public affairs that he carried a briefcase to high school every day.

And in the West Wing of the State House sits (briefly, for his is an on-the-go work style) Kyle Sullivan JD '95, the Press Secretary of Governor Patrick. From Salisbury, Massachusetts, and the youngest of eight children, Sullivan is the son of a Great Society foot soldier turned clerk-magistrate and is proud to have been taught by such stalwart Suffolk Law professors as Joseph W. Glannon and John E. Fenton Jr.

Sean P. Murphy JD '91 has worked as an investigative reporter at the *Boston Globe* for 20 years, focusing on the Big Dig since 2003. He is a member of the Massachusetts Bar.

All three exude confidence, optimism, and purpose with a bit of mischief mixed in, the kind that lightens the day and deflates the ego. What they all believe in is Deval Patrick and his administration's ability to improve people's lives. They have given themselves over to the notion that their service can help bring about change. And they are exemplars of one of the core missions and noblest traditions of Suffolk Law.



Michael Festa has been telling stories in courtrooms and in front of cameras and out on the campaign trail for so long now that he has mastered the art of getting people to connect with and like him.

Within minutes of my sitting down in his office, Festa, his face flickering between smile and deadpan, conjures up the image of a gangly kid toting a briefcase to classes at sports-crazed Melrose High. It's a delightful sketch, delivered in a voice both proud and self-deprecating, and the cascade of words from behind the big, polished desk only amplifies how successful the kid has become. "Oh yes, that was me," he says. And we both laugh.

At age 19, while on full scholarship at Tufts University—majoring in political science, of course—Festa was elected to the Melrose School Committee, certainly a first of some kind. That recollection prompts him to reach behind his desk for a black-and-white photograph of that historic committee. There he is, bottom left, under a thick mop of disco hair and festooned in a super-sized bow tie: John Travolta meets Richie Cunningham. And he is smiling in the way you smile when you figure out you are smarter than the teacher but not dumb enough to show it. Later, Festa stepped up to the Melrose Board of Aldermen even before he was fitted for his cap and gown at Tufts.

His three years at Suffolk Law followed, during which time he and classmate Robert Sinsheimer JD '79 won the moot court competition.

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Festa paired law school with an aide’s job under the State House golden dome. He met all kinds of colorful characters in the legislature—not surprising in this chronically colorful town—and became convinced that he belonged among them. A run for the House of Representatives in 1986 ended in an excruciating nine-

on backyard gardening—you can still catch his gardening show on cable TV). But no dilettante, Festa carved out a role as an advocate for senior citizens, carrying the day on bills addressing prescriptions, community care, and other issues.

While running for district attorney in 2006, Festa became acquainted with a passionate former civil rights attorney who was campaigning hard to be governor. The two appeared together so often at various events that at one of them, Deval Patrick, the gubernatorial candidate, joked to

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vote loss for Festa, and four years later, in a year of political upheaval, he lost a close bid for the state Senate.

Married at this point and raising two children, Festa concentrated on practicing law, having already learned the ropes as a Middlesex assistant district attorney. But there is no inoculation against politics, and inevitably Festa became a ticket-topping force on the Melrose Board of Aldermen in the 1990s, leading to his election to the House of Representatives in 1998.

Festa was truly in his glory, irresistible to a widening assortment of legislator pals and a font of good humor (not to mention sage advice

the audience, “Today I am going to give Mike Festa’s speech, and he is going to give mine.”

Festa wound up dropping out of the DA race, but he declared his support for Patrick, one of the first in the House to do so. And in Massachusetts politics, that counts for something: after his election, Patrick tapped the Festa to lead the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

Like most executives, Festa’s schedule is peppered with meetings and working lunches, conference calls and a parade of appointments. He’s always toting home a briefcase full of reports and memos for his perusal. And like other secretaries, he is on call whenever the governor



needs him. But Festa also makes time to get out to senior centers throughout the state—time to chat and catch up on the concerns of elders face to face.

Politics is a tough business, he says, although he makes it look otherwise. “It’s a business that works on relationship, not philosophy,” he opines, himself a perfect example.

“I’ve never been the shy and retiring type,” Festa, 54, adds. “I take this business very seriously, but not personally.”

And he cannot imagine doing anything else. “I loved the idea of public service,” he says. “Since I was a kid, I loved it.”

Ever loquacious, he is still talking in the hallway as I am leaving, until finally he is intercepted and led away by one of his assistants.

Suzanne Bump glides into a glass-paneled office high in the sky to make sure her assistants have attended to me in the short minute I have waited. She fusses over me even though this appointment, unlike so many with politicians, begins on time.

Bump responds directly to all my questions, rarely venturing off point and smartly ticking off answers. Attired in a pastel-colored suit and floral scarf, she is a steady, pleasant presence. All, it seems, is in order here. Memos and people and reports flow in and flow out. A crisp air of competence permeates. When an aide opens the door to give her the

chance to wind down the interview, Bump waves her off, determined to finish what she started with this reporter.

I suggest *pragmatic* as a word to describe her, and Bump smiles. “There is a right way and a wrong way of doing everything,” she says in a voice not quite her own. “I can still hear my father saying that. I guess that’s where I get it from.”

“My father didn’t know where he went wrong,” she continues. “He sent me to Catholic schools and Catholic college. And what did I turn out to be? A liberal, a lawyer, and a legislator.” She laughs.

At Cardinal Spellman High School and Boston College, Bump dedicated herself to her studies, oblivious to such social events as football games. Yet when a woman in her neighborhood decided to run for the Whitman Board of Selectmen, the college freshman sat up and noticed. And got involved.

Another candidate she met along the way was Andrew Card, a one-time state representative who would go on to become White House chief of staff. Card helped open doors, and Bump, fresh out of college with an English degree, wound up as an assistant to state representative Elizabeth Metayer of Braintree. When Metayer retired in 1984, Bump decided to run for the seat, just as she began Suffolk Law in the night division.

Like so many night students before and after her, Bump, 52, toiled all day in the State House only to “roll down the hill” to the old Suffolk Law building on Temple Street at 6 p.m., just as most of her colleagues began winding down for the day.

“The first year was hellish,” she recalls. “I remember sitting in class trying to listen while writing out campaign brochures, and then bolting to some campaign event the minute I was free.”

“She was a great student—I think she got an A in my class,” counters Professor Marc Greenbaum, who specializes in labor issues. “She was always more interested in policy than politics, taking a ‘let’s get-it-done’ approach. We became friends and remain friends to this day.”



On the hill, Bump advanced by dint of mastery of detail to chairmanship of the House Commerce and Labor Committee, and she helped pass numerous bills on wages, hours, work conditions, and occupational safety.

When she lost her seat in a primary in 1992, Bump, who had practiced law intermittently, joined the American Insurance Association, a trade group, as a lawyer and lobbyist. Many states wanted to emulate workplace laws pioneered in Massachusetts, and Bump showed them how.

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Next stop, in 2000: Citigroup, as a Washington-based lobbyist. She winces at the memory. Bump signed up planning to stay five years, then resolved to stick it out for three years, but ended up lasting less than two.

“Let’s just say I wasn’t comfortable in that environment, that corporate culture,” she says.

Bump quit in spring 2002 to join Shannon O’Brien’s campaign for Massachusetts governor, but Mitt Romney would eventually best the former state treasurer. Two years later, however, a fresh crop of Democratic would-be candidates for governors came courting Bump,

recognized by then as one of the party’s leading political operatives.

The one who intrigued her most, the one who articulated the most compelling vision, was Deval Patrick. And so once again, Bump had her hands on the levers of a gubernatorial campaign—except this one quickly gained momentum and went on to triumph over Patrick’s opponent, former lieutenant governor Kerry Healey. When Patrick named her to his cabinet in December 2006, Bump chafed to get at the job.

These days, Bump leads a hurried existence. She is responsible not only for managing the office’s 1,600 employees and for shaping long-term state policy on workplace issues, but also for being the internal face of the administration, sometimes dashing off to her old State House haunts to testify before legislative panels, the queue of pending emails and telephone calls and other demands lengthening every minute of the day.

And she revels in it all.



“This is the best job I have ever had,” says Bump. “I love what I am doing.” Among her proudest accomplishments is the recent launch of the Underground Economy Task Force, a new initiative aimed at tightening penalties against under-the-table business operations.

As we stand to say good-bye, I mention Bump’s fondness for the Boston Symphony Orchestra, which I had learned about from her official biography. She brightens, mentioning that her husband proposed to her many years ago during intermission at Boston Symphony Hall.

“I’ll be there tonight,” she says of Symphony Hall. But until then, she returns to her multiple tasks at hand.



Kyle Sullivan, at age 38 the youngest of this trio, has a comparison to make about his answer to the call of service.

"I would say we were a Kennedy family," he says during a laughter-punctuated conversation in his somewhat spartan office (in truth, his BlackBerry and cell phone constitute his work space, wherever they travel with him). "It was a big Irish family," he recalls. "You grew up with the talk. You felt a call to action."

Sullivan's is a booming laugh, one he uses to good effect. In addition to the governor and the pack of reporters who write about the governor, Sullivan's world is peopled with the likes of the Red Sox and Bruce Springsteen and, of course, his wife and toddler son. In all this, Sullivan counts himself fortunate, enough so to temper even the most pressure-packed days with good humor, and to regularly unleash that booming laughter.

Sullivan initially meets me in the finely appointed governor's office on the third floor of the State House, and we practically sprint downstairs to the press office. "Do you always walk this quickly?" I ask.

"Remember," the veteran press handler says out of the side of his mouth. "I used to work for John Kerry: a tall man with long legs who is used to moving very fast."

Boom. Laughter echoes in the hallway.

As the interview progresses, Sullivan, square-shouldered in a slightly rumpled suit and sporting a reddish goatee, mentions that he is the

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youngest of eight children, and I volunteer that I am the middle of seven. One of his brothers still grumbles about being overlooked in the middle, he says, and then goes uncharacteristically silent for a moment.

“Yeah,” he finally concludes. “I’m thinking being the youngest is the best position to be in.”

Well positioned. It has been that way for Sullivan for a long time—not that he hasn’t worked to create opportunities. Still, many appointees to the Patrick administration owe their jobs to long hours on the campaign trail; for Sullivan, the job came looking for him.

The election won, Patrick cherry-picked the good-natured Sullivan from the staff of House Speaker Salvatore DiMasi JD ’71. It was a case of right place, right time.

“I wasn’t looking to move up, but when the call came, I knew I would take it,” he says. “You get to have instant impact. It’s the best experience of my career. It’s an honor, really.”

Similarly, a chance meeting with an old political adversary (they both lost in a three-way Democratic primary for state representative in Newburyport in 1992 but remained good friends) led to a coveted job as state press secretary in the Boston office of Senator Kerry. The next thing he knew, Sullivan was winging his way to the Middle East on an

official Senate fact-finding mission. Over the next five years with Kerry, he went on to serve as deputy state director and interim state director.

Another time, a friend with an extra ticket to a Red Sox game called Sullivan at the last moment to make it a foursome, one of whom was his future wife, a Staten Island native. “The reason I was able to marry her was that she is a not a Yankees fan,” he says. “She grew up a Mets fan.”

He says that seriously. No boom. No laughter.

A political science major at St. Michael’s College in Vermont, Sullivan paid his dues working as an aide to a state senator, all the while juggling his night classes at Suffolk Law.

“To be honest, I was more of a back row guy,” he says without prompting. “I was not the one always with the answer.”

Yet Sullivan fondly remembers professors Bernie Keenan, Joseph Glannon, and John Fenton Jr. In fact, Fenton taught evidence not only to Sullivan but also to his father, Nick Sullivan JD ’65, in the early 1960s.

“I know the family—they are terrific people,” says Fenton, who has taught some nine thousand students during his long tenure at Suffolk Law.

Sullivan spent six whirlwind years with Kerry, including almost three months straight on the road handling

logistics during the 2004 presidential campaign and as a manager of the 2004 Democratic National Convention in Boston.

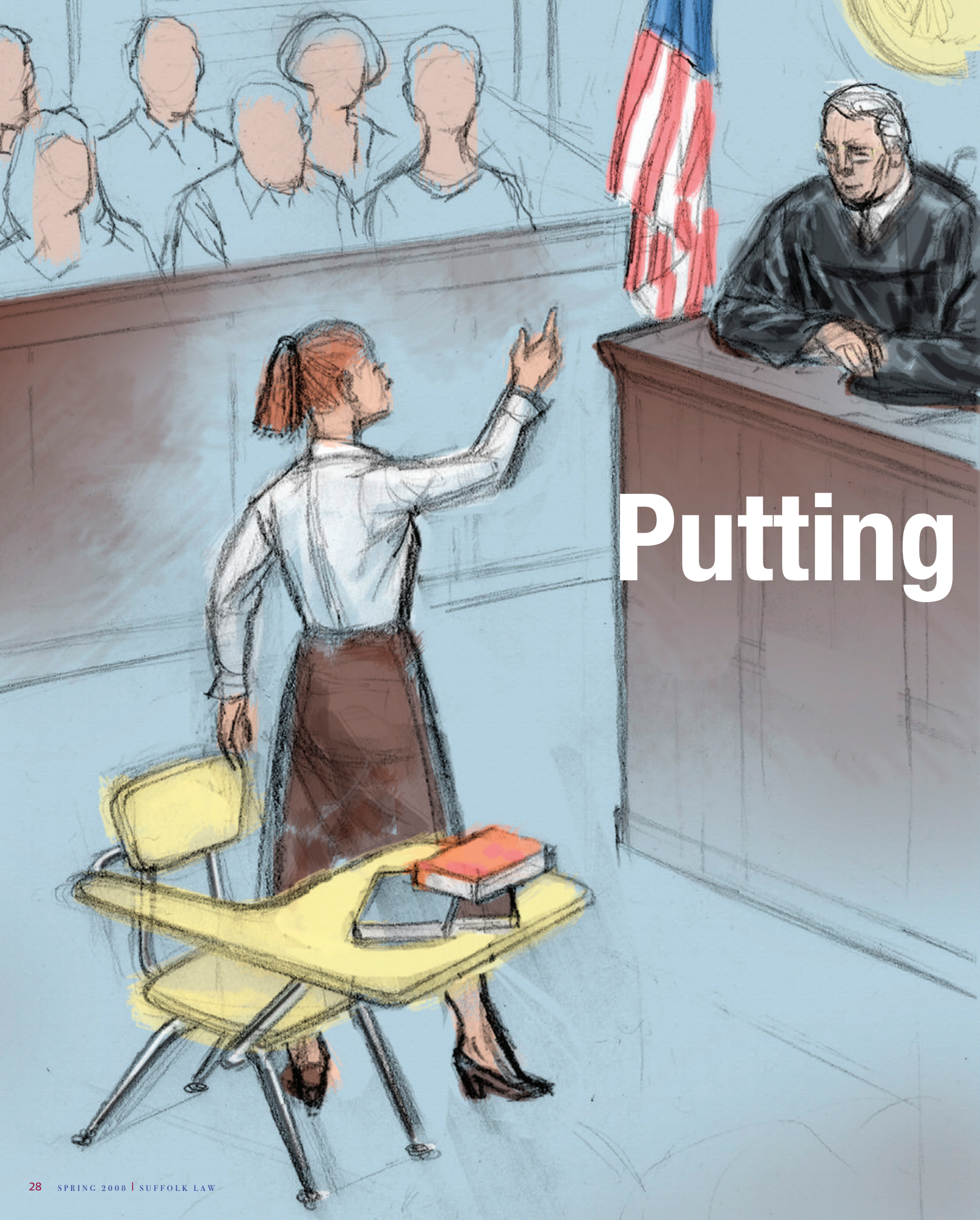
Now his job is to get Patrick’s message out. He is out on his doorstep in the predawn darkness most mornings retrieving the *Boston Globe* and *Boston Herald* to see how well he did the day before.

Sometimes it is not pretty. Patrick’s first year in office has been eventful. “When you see a negative headline, you can’t take that too much to heart,” Sullivan says. “Nor can you the positive ones.”

“It’s a battle every day,” he goes on. “You go toe-to-toe with some of the best reporters every day. Since I’ve been here there has been only one slow day. That was the Friday before Christmas.”

Boom. The laughter. 





Putting

This year marks the **40th anniversary** of **Suffolk University Law School's clinical law programs, which have grown from a single clinic for public defenders to a celebrated collection of programs providing invaluable practice skills to Suffolk Law students—and crucial legal services to underserved populations.**

on a Clinic

It was the long Thanksgiving weekend of 2006, and three Suffolk Law clinical program students and their professor were closeted in a first-floor Sargent Hall office, surrounded by stacks of case law. While classmates and coworkers relaxed at home, eating leftover turkey and catching up with family, Director of Clinical Programs Jeff Pokorak and students Nicole Noel JD '07, Nicholas McDonald JD '07, and Stephanie Zywiec JD '07 worked straight through the weekend, piecing together an amicus brief for a case involving two Texas death row inmates that was due to the U.S. Supreme Court the following week. The brief argued that childhood abuse should be considered as a mitigating factor in capital sentencing; the three students were part of Pokorak's informal death penalty information group, housed in the clinical programs suite.

By the time classes started up again Monday morning, Noel recalls, her eyes were scratchy and her neck ached from hunching over a desk for three days. But to her and the others, the marathon writing session had been more than worth it. It was, after all, a matter of life or death.

"This was what I'd come to law school for—to help someone who desperately needed our help," says Noel, now a public defender in Miami. "It sounds corny, but I kept thinking of our clients, sitting on death row waiting to die, counting on their lawyers—us included—to stop it."

This sort of high-stakes learning experience has been common over the 40-year history of the Suffolk Law clinical programs, which were recently ranked 20th in the country by *U.S. News and World Report*, tying them with UCLA and the University of Chicago. With certification under rules of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, which allows students to represent clients without compensation in civil and criminal cases, Suffolk Law clinical students interview people, prepare witnesses, file motions, try cases, and face head-on the consequences of representing real-life clients.

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In the Beginning

Clinical programs first appeared in law schools in the 1960s, created in response to the social activism that marked the era as well as the view that graduating law students lacked practical skills. Clinics promised to provide students with experience practicing law under the watchful



eye of faculty members while providing essential legal services to community organizations.

Suffolk Law was at the forefront of the movement when its Indigent Defendant Program appeared in the course catalog in 1968. "It's pretty clear that we stepped up to the plate early on," says Associate Dean John Deliso, who came to Suffolk Law as a student in 1969. The clinic was a natural fit for the school, given its historical mission to prepare students to enter professional life while also inspiring a commitment to community involvement and pro bono work.

Suffolk University Trustee Robert B. Crowe JD '73 enrolled in the Voluntary Defenders Clinic (renamed from the Indigent Defendant

Program) when he was a Suffolk Law student and went on to run the Voluntary Prosecutors Clinic after earning his degree. He remembers that students grasped the advantages of clinical education right away. "People were realizing that you could get as much education in the courtroom as you could in the classroom," says Crowe, who is head of the government relations practice at WolfBlock Public Strategies LLC.

Kevin G. Powers JD '77, an employment attorney with the Boston firm Rodgers, Powers & Schwartz LLP, joined Professor Eric Blumenson's Defenders Clinic in his second year at Suffolk Law and went on to try several cases in Quincy District Court while still a law student—an experience he recalls as beyond price.

"I signed up for the defenders clinic because I knew I wanted to be a trial attorney," Powers says. "Thirty years

and hundreds of cases later, I look back and know that I was given a great foundation for beginning my career as a trial attorney."

The New Evolution

Despite their benefits, clinics existed for a long time on the margins of academia. Prestige was historically linked to legal analysis and theory, and those who taught practical skills were sometimes derided as "toaster fixers," Pokorak recalls. At Suffolk Law, the clinics also suffered from a lack of uniformity. Many clinicians weren't faculty members, and the number of credits varied among programs.

Then, in the 1990s, clinical education nationwide received a boost when the American Bar Association released the MacCrate Report recommending that schools do a better job of preparing students to practice law. (A second report released last year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching went further, saying that law schools should give students "effective support for developing ethical and practice skills.")

In 1998, Suffolk Law received its own boost in the form of a \$6 million grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Programs, which established the Juvenile Justice Center (JJC). Run by then-director Tony DeMarco, the center represented the first major expansion of the clinical programs and greatly increased students' opportunities to participate in a clinic. (Today, under the leadership of Managing Director Lisa Thurau-Gray, the JJC is considered a national model for representing youth in the juvenile court system.)

In 1999 Robert H. Smith came to Suffolk Law as dean with a background in clinical legal education. Right away, he recognized the potential to develop a world-class clinical program at the school. "It was such a good fit with Suffolk's history and the educational approach of integrating theory and practice, valuing public service, the location in the heart of Boston, and the desire to improve our national reputation and visibility," says Smith, who went on to serve as dean of the law school until 2007. "The clinical programs were to me a natural opportunity to take advantage of those strengths." A committee chaired by Professor Charles Kindregan was formed, and in 2001 the school hired Pokorak to be the director of the clinical programs.

Long a believer in the educational value of clinics, Pokorak had been a clinical professor and codirector of clinical programs at St. Mary's University School of Law in San

Antonio, Texas. He was drawn to Suffolk Law, he says, by the opportunity to shape the program to meet his vision of clinical education and the certainty that he'd have the support to make it happen. "Suffolk is a place that values the practice of law," he explains. "This is not true of all law schools."

Pokorak set his goals high: to make the clinics at Suffolk Law among the best in the country. He identified the clinics' challenges and revamped the program. With the approval of the faculty, he brought new clinicians into the fold by making them full-time faculty members and by instituting a clinical tenure track. He worked to set new standards for the clinics, restructuring them as yearlong, eight-credit courses that blended field work with weekly classroom time. He set out to recruit additional clinical faculty from top-tier law schools. And he brought the Suffolk Law Civil and Judicial Internship Program into the clinical fold, further expanding the number of hands-on learning opportunities for students. (Student interns work in a wide range of legal settings, including nonprofit organizations and private law firms, under the supervision of an attorney.)

"It was an opportunity to build something from the ground up and to put all of our ideas about adopting the best practices of clinical legal education in this new program," says Professor Ilene Seidman, director of the Family Advocacy Clinic, who left her clinical position at Harvard Law School to come to Suffolk Law.

Today, the clinical programs are one of the most celebrated aspects of a Suffolk Law legal education. This year, almost one-third of the graduating class participated in a clinical program or internship. The clinics and internships bring students to a range of settings—including municipal, district, and superior courts; legal services; county lockups; and probate court—where they represent clients in civil and criminal cases as well as at administrative

hearings. Each year the programs provide between \$250,000 and \$500,000 of direct legal services to underserved populations.

"I see the faces of the people who gain these services—we make a significant impact in many lives," says Associate Clinical Professor William Berman, who runs the Housing Consumer Protection Clinic.

Adds Dean Alfred Aman, "Our clinical programs are very strong. They provide real world experience and very meaningful practice opportunities for our students.

law instead of just talking about it," says Nicholas McDonald, who was in Pokorak's death penalty amicus brief group.

In addition to giving students practical experience, the clinics deepen and broaden their view of the legal system. They learn that a criminal charge or a civil complaint is often a manifestation of social ills like poverty or domestic abuse, and they're introduced to the social services that can potentially help their clients.

“It was fascinating for the students, because many crucial decisions had to be made about protecting the client’s rights against self-incrimination, and in the criminal case they had to be very careful about how what they were doing would impact the civil case,” Seidman says.

They are reflective of both our unique hands-on teaching style and our unparalleled commitment to public service and represent a true synthesis of theory and practice.”

Pre-Real World Experience

"The first year we scare you to death, the second year we work you to death, and the third year we bore you to death." If Pokorak had his way, that old law school saying would be banished from the Suffolk Law lexicon. As he sees it, the third year of law school is the ideal time for students to plunge into practice. And after two years of absorbing theory and doctrine, he says, students are ready—and eager—to start applying what they've learned.

"On campus, the clinical programs have their reputation as the one place where you can finally practice

They also learn about the interdisciplinary nature of many legal cases. A student in Seidman's Family Advocacy Clinic, for example, recently teamed up with a student in the Suffolk Defenders Program when her client's spouse filed countercharges of domestic abuse. "It was fascinating for the students, because many crucial decisions had to be made about protecting the client's rights against self-incrimination, and in the criminal case they had to be very careful about how what they were doing would impact the civil case," Seidman says.

Sometimes the lessons learned are difficult to digest. In the Immigration Clinic, students spend hours each week immersed in the disturbing drama of their young clients' worlds while gathering facts to convince a judge to grant political

asylum. Assistant Clinical Professor Ragini Shah once brought in a psychologist to talk with students about secondary trauma because of their extensive exposure to case histories of violent persecution. But students say these intense feelings are precisely what feed their sense of obligation to their clients. "It's actually really scary, and that motivates you. You can't let them down," says third-year student Min Wu, who says she plans to pursue immigration law when she graduates.

Wu and third-year student Alison Carrinski recently grappled with a difficult dilemma in a case involving a 17-year-old girl who fled an abusive father in El Salvador to live with her

During case rounds in Shah's immigration clinic, Wu and Carrinski told their classmates they were considering mailing the consent form to an address the father didn't know about. "Our question is, is it unethical to employ a tactic to get consent from one parent, not the other, knowing that it's in the best interest of the mother and daughter?" Wu asked her classmates.

Wu and Carrinski's classmates offered potential solutions. But by the end of the class, the matter was still unresolved. "The questions never have an easy answer," Wu says.

Career Counseling

Students say that one of the most

powerful aspects of the clinics is the career guidance they offer and the practical experience they afford students in the pursuit of their career goals.

Jared Olanoff JD '04 didn't know what he wanted to do with his degree when he started at Suffolk Law, but his future crystallized for him the summer he worked at Suffolk's Legal Services Office in Chelsea, Massachusetts, which refers cases to the clinics.

That summer, he found himself at the center of a high-profile discrimination suit.

The Chelsea Housing Authority had started eviction proceedings against disabled tenants for violating its pet ownership policy. Olanoff, working first under Professor Stephen J. Callahan and then Professor William Berman, argued that the housing authority failed to make reasonable accommodations for the disabled tenants whose pets were central to their quality of life.

The cases wended their way from administrative hearings to District Court to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, eventually landing in Superior Court. They ended in a victory for Olanoff's clients, including a monetary settlement, injunctive relief, and court-ordered procedural changes at the Chelsea Housing Authority. To cap the experience, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (MSPCA) honored Olanoff and Berman with its 2005 Human Hero Award.

"It was the most valuable experience one could ever receive in the area of being a trial attorney. You can't get more hands-on than doing district court trials, superior court trials, administrative hearings—we did everything," Olanoff says.

"That definitely is what made me go into criminal defense on behalf of poor people." Today he is a public defender with the Committee for Public Counsel Services in Springfield, Massachusetts. "My mother wanted me to practice corporate law," he laughs.

Not all clinical cases end so successfully, but in a way, winning is beside the point.

Kevin Powers has tried hundreds of cases since graduating from Suffolk Law, including one that resulted in a \$5.5 million verdict against the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA). But he lost both the first and second cases he ever tried while a student in Professor Blumenson's clinic. More than a quarter-century after the experience, he can still vividly recall his courtroom experience, which involved a client charged with assault and battery and a few other related charges.

"When my client finished his testimony, direct and cross, the trial judge, who seemed to have known my client very well from past appearances before him, told my client to 'slither off the stand,'"



uncle in the U.S. Wu and Carrinski were trying to win the girl special immigrant juvenile status and agreed to help the relative petition the court for temporary guardianship. The problem was, they needed at least one parent's written consent, and the girl feared the request would send her father into a rage and that he would become violent.

Powers recalls. "Even with my limited experience, I figured out that the judge didn't think much of my client's testimony. I lost the case."

But he also recalls how Blumenson helped him make sense of the guilty verdicts. "It was nice to have someone who said, 'I know you lost, but you did a great job. Here's what you did right and here's what you did wrong,'" Powers says.

Pokorak is pleased with how far the clinical programs have come and hopes to eventually expand the offerings so every student will have a chance at either a clinic or an internship before graduating. In 2009 he will add to the program by offering a certiorari appellate clinic in which students will represent death penalty inmates in Texas in their appeals to the U.S. Supreme Court. Pokorak, who is a member of the Massachusetts, Texas, and Florida bars, is eager to pull his death penalty work more fully into the offerings at Suffolk Law.

For her part, Noel remembers her work on the death penalty amicus brief as a highlight of her legal education. Two months after submitting the brief, the students traveled with Pokorak to the U.S. Supreme Court to hear oral arguments in the case. The students were taken by the gravity of the proceedings, but even more, Noel says, the experience forged a deep connection in her mind between what she was being taught in law school and why it was important. In June 2007 the U.S. Supreme Court issued its decision, voting 5–4 to accept childhood abuse as an inherent mitigating factor in capital sentencing.

"I keep my copy of the brief in my office, and it's still one of the things I'm most proud of," Noel says. 🌐

The Suffolk Law Clinical Programs: A Primer

Suffolk Law currently offers 11 clinical programs (including the clinical internships) to both day and evening students:

Battered Women's Advocacy Program

A one-semester program in which students serve one day per week at a local district court legal services office or at a shelter- or hospital-based social services office.

Civil and Judicial Clinical Internship Program

Students combine doctrinal law classes with different field experiences in a wide range of legal settings, including state and federal courts, nonprofit corporations, legal aid organizations, and private law firms and companies.

Child Advocacy Clinic

A full-year program in which students provide legal representation, counseling, and advocacy on behalf of children and families in civil proceedings; most clients are adolescents who are in foster care or who have recently aged out of state custody.

Educational Advocacy Clinic

Participants in this full-year program advocate on behalf of low-income and indigent children and their parents in school suspension, expulsion, and special education cases in Boston and outlying communities.

Family Advocacy Clinic

In this full-year clinic, students represent individuals in contested family disputes; cases include divorce, paternity, custody, visitation and child support disputes, guardianship and kinship care, and cases protecting the rights of victims of violence.

Housing & Consumer Protection Clinic

A full-year clinic in which student attorneys primarily represent clients in housing cases, handling administrative matters before various housing authorities, housing discrimination matters before the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, and housing cases in Boston Housing Court and Chelsea District Court.

Immigration Clinic

A full-year clinic in which students advocate on behalf of non-citizens facing deportation from the United States and seeking to redress misconduct by Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents performing immigration raids.

Juvenile Justice Center

The center provides representation for children in the juvenile court system, using a multi-disciplinary approach that includes supportive social services and education advocacy. Students in the Juvenile Defenders Clinic represent children charged with delinquency offenses in the Boston Juvenile Court and provide representation in related proceedings, such as probation revocation proceedings, school suspension or expulsion hearings, and special education hearings.

Evening Landlord-Tenant Clinic

Evening students represent indigent tenants in housing cases, such as summary process evictions in the Chelsea District Court and administrative hearings before local housing authorities.

Suffolk Defenders

A yearlong third-year criminal defense practice course in which students serve clients charged with misdemeanors and felonies in the Boston Municipal Court.

Suffolk Prosecutors

A full-year course, available to third-year students only, in which participants represent the Commonwealth in criminal cases under the supervision of an assistant district attorney.

Faculty News

Dean Alfred Aman wrote *Administrative Law and Process: Cases and Materials* (LexisNexis Matthew Bender, 2006; Supplement 2007) and "Law, Markets and Democracy: A Role for Law in the Neo-Liberal State," which was published in 51 *New York Law School Law Review* 802 (2007). Dean Aman also wrote the article "Contracting Out Healthcare for Prisoners in New York," published in 14 *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies* 1 (2007), which he presented in July at the conference "Law and Society in the 21st Century" in Berlin. He was one of three law deans to serve on a panel dealing with the role of urban law schools at a colloquium held in September at New York Law School. In January, he gave a presentation titled "The Domestic Face of Globalization" at a *Suffolk Transnational Law Review* forum at Suffolk Law and gave a similar presentation to the economics department at Suffolk University in February.

Marie Ashe spoke at the Second Biennial Conference of the Canadian Initiative in Law, Culture & the Humanities at Carleton University in Ottawa in October, presenting a paper titled "Women Question(s) for Law & Religion: A Post-Pluralism Project" on the panel "(Re)negotiating Cultural Pluralism."

Edward J. Bander compiled *Legal Anecdotes, Wit, and Rejoinder* (Vandeplas Publishing, 2007).

Andrew Beckerman-Rodau wrote "The Supreme Court Engages in Judicial Activism in Interpreting the Patent Law in *eBay, Inc. v. MercExchange L.L.C.*," which was published in 10 *Tulane Journal of Technology & Intellectual Property* 165 (2007); and "The Aftermath of *eBay v. MercExchange*, 126 S. Ct. 1837 (2006): A Review of Subsequent Judicial Decisions," which was published in 89 *Journal of the Patent and Trademark Office Society* 631 (2007). He also made the following presentations: "A Faculty Member's Perspective on the Use of Technology in Legal Education—Is It Time to Pull the Plug on Technology Investment?" at the 2007 Conference for Law School Computing in Las Vegas in June; "The Choice between Patent and Trade Secret Law for Protecting Intellectual Property" at a Suffolk Law alumni event at the law firm of Lowrie, Lando & Anastasi in May; and "The Attack on Intellectual

Property—Is It Justified?" which was the annual Clason Lecture at Western New England College School of Law in Springfield in September.

Carter Bishop wrote "The Next Generation: The Revised Uniform Limited Liability Company Act," which was published in 62 *Business Lawyer* 515 (2007) with Daniel S. Kleinberg; *Contracts: Cases and Theory of Contractual Obligation* (Thomson West American Casebook Series, 2007) with James F. Hogg and Daniel D. Barnhizer; *Selected Rules for Contracts* (Statutory Supplement) (Thomson West American Casebook Series, 2008) with James F. Hogg and Daniel D. Barnhizer; "Directorial Abdication and the Taxonomic Role of Good Faith in Delaware Corporate Law," published in *Michigan State Law Review* (2007); "The Deontological Significance of Nonprofit Corporate Governance Standards: A Fiduciary Duty of Care Without a Remedy," published in 57 *Catholic University Law Review* (2008); and the current semiannual supplement to *Limited Liability Companies: Tax and Business Law* (1994; supplements 2005–08) with Daniel S. Kleinberger. He also gave the following presentations on the adoption of the Revised Uniform Limited Liability Company Act: one to the New York City Bar Association in December; one to the Indiana State Bar Association, also in December; and one to the New Jersey State Bar Association in January.

Karen Blum made the following presentations: "Overview of Section 1983 and Qualified Immunity" at the New Jersey Attorney General's Advocacy Institute in May; "Focus Program on Section 1983 for Federal District Court and Federal Magistrate Judges" (chair and presenter) at Suffolk Law in June; "Section 1983 in State Court" at the Connecticut Judges Institute at Quinnipiac University School of Law in June; "Update on Section 1983" at the National Workshop for Federal Magistrate Judges in Baltimore in July; "Update on Section 1983 in the Sixth Circuit" for the Ohio Municipal Attorneys Association in July; "Basic Principles of Section 1983 Litigation and Qualified Immunity" at the Massachusetts Attorney General's Advocacy Institute in Boston in November; "Defending Law Enforcement Litigation" at a Public Agency Training

Council seminar in Las Vegas in November; "Municipal Liability Under Section 1983: Recent Developments" at the 22nd Annual Seminar on Litigation under Section 1983 for ICLE Georgia in December in Atlanta; and a presentation at the Defense Research Institute's Seminar on Government Liability in Scottsdale, Arizona, in January. In October she also gave presentations on Section 1983 at the Workshop for Newly Appointed Federal Magistrate Judges in Washington, D.C., and at the 24th Annual Section 1983 Civil Rights Litigation program at the Practising Law Institute in New York.

Rosanna Cavallaro wrote "Chester Himes's *Cotton Comes to Harlem*: A Reparations Parable," which was published in 19 *Law and Literature* 103 (2007), and "Federal Rules of Evidence 413–415 and the Struggle for Rulemaking Preeminence," which was published in 98 *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* 1 (2008).

Frank Rudy Cooper presented "Who's the Man?: Police Masculinity and Terry Doctrine" to a faculty colloquium at Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law in October.

Sara Dillon wrote "What Human Rights Law Obscures: Global Sex Trafficking and the Demand for Children," which was published in 17 *UCLA Women's Law Journal* 121 (2008). In May she gave the panel presentation "The United Nations and the Social Orphan" at the conference "The Hague Convention, the United States, and Intercountry Adoption" at New York Law School.

Victoria Dodd served as chair and moderator of "Current Issues in Higher Education," an Advanced Legal Studies program held in October at Suffolk Law. She is currently serving a one-year term on the executive committee of the Education Law Section of the Association of American Law Schools, a position she also held last year. Recently, she was appointed to the advisory board of a new online Social Science Research Network journal of education law.

Valerie Epps presented the luncheon address "Sovereignty, Self-Determination, and Secession" to the annual conference of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers in Boston in September. She

served in October as a delegate to the newly formed International Association of Law Schools' first conference, "Learning from Each Other: Enriching the Law School Curriculum in an Interrelated World," at Soochow University in Suzhou, China, where she submitted a paper titled "The Three Most Important Features of My Country's Legal System That Others Should Understand: Slavery, Immigration, and Executive Power to Wage War." She is teaching courses in international law and human rights at Hongik University College of Law in Seoul, South Korea, during the Spring 2008 semester.

Steven Ferrey wrote *Environmental Law: Examples and Explanations* (4th edition, Aspen Publishers, 2007); *Law of Independent Power: Development, Cogeneration, Utility Regulation* (25th edition, West Group, 2007); "Why Electricity Matters and Developing Nations Matter," published in *15 New York University Environmental Law Journal* 113 (2007); and "Converting Brownfield Environmental Negatives into Energy Positives," published in *34 Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review* 417 (2007). He made the following presentations: one on energy policy at the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government's annual Energy Policy Symposium of Corporate Leaders in June; one to world insurance executives at a conference in Toronto, Canada, in July; one in Hanoi, Vietnam, in August; and one at the annual meeting of a section of the American Bar Association in Pittsburgh in September.

Janet Fisher, with Professor Natt Gantt from Regent University School of Law, presented a workshop titled "Developing a Philosophy of Teaching Statement as an ASP Professional" at the Law School Admission Council's Academic Assistance Training Workshop in June.

Christopher Gibson wrote "Globalization and the Technology Standards Game: Balancing Concerns of Protectionism and Intellectual Property in International Standards," which was published in *22 Berkeley Technology Law Journal* 1401 (2007). He presented his paper "Latent Grounds in Investor-State Arbitration: Do International Investment Treaties Provide a Powerful (New) Means to Enforce Intellectual Property Rights?"

at a faculty colloquium at George Washington University Law School in February; gave a presentation, "Licensing High Tech to the EU: Export Licensing and Competition Law Requirements," at a conference co-sponsored by Suffolk's Center for Advanced Legal Studies and the Licensing Executives Society in November; and participated as an expert in a working group of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), where he addressed privacy issues and data accessibility in the Internet Domain Name System.

Dwight Golann was named chair of the American Association of Law Schools' Alternative Dispute Resolution Section. He moderated a program on mediation ethics at the 2008 AALS Annual Meeting and wrote "The Changing Role of Evaluation in Commercial ADR," which was published in *14 Dispute Resolution Magazine* 16 (2007). In October he presented a training in mediation for the International Institute for Dispute Resolution, and in December he spoke to the Boston Bar Association on mediating multiparty disputes.

Lorie Graham wrote "The Racial Discourse of Federal Indian Law" (a review of Robert A. Williams Jr.'s *Like a Loaded Weapon: The Rehnquist Court, Indian Rights, and the Legal History of Racism in America*), which was published in *42 Tulsa Law Review* 103 (2007); "Reparations, Self-Determination, and the Seventh Generation," which was published in *21 Harvard Human Rights Journal* 47 (2008); and the chapter "Indigenous Peoples and Intellectual Property," which was published in *Traditional and Indigenous Knowledge: IP Perspective* (Amicus Books, 2008) with Stephen McJohn. She was recently appointed to the International Law Association's Committee on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Marc Greenbaum spoke to the Boston Bar Association's 34th Annual Workshop for Public Sector Labor Relations Specialists in May and reviewed the prior year's pertinent Supreme Judicial Court and Appeals Court opinions. In August he spoke to a symposium held in connection with the national meeting of the American Chemical Society on age discrimination issues in the high-powered workplace, and in September he moderated a panel discussion on

emerging workplace issues, "Walking the Line in the 21st Century Workplace," at the Suffolk Law Advanced Legal Studies program. In October he moderated a panel discussion on the decision-making process of the National Labor Relations Board at the Robert Fuchs Labor Law Conference held at Suffolk Law, and in February he spoke on discovery issues in labor arbitration at a program sponsored by the Labor and Employment Law Section of the Massachusetts Bar Association.

Charles Kindregan spoke at "Contemporary Issues in Assisted Reproduction," a program of the annual meeting of the American Bar Association's Section of Family Law, in San Francisco in August. As the chair of the ABA Committee on Assisted Reproduction and Genetics, he moderated a discussion on the ABA's proposed Model Act Governing Assisted Reproductive Technology; in October he participated in negotiations with the various sections of the ABA in order to develop a consensus position on the act. He attended the February 2008 semiannual meeting of the ABA in Los Angeles, where he was involved in negotiating last-minute changes before the association approved the final version of the act. He wrote "Religion, Polygamy, and Non-Traditional Families: Disparate Views on the Evolution of Marriage in History and in the Debate Over Same-Sex Unions," which was published in *41 Suffolk University Law Review* 19 (2008), and "Thinking About the Law of Assisted Reproductive Technology," which was published in *27 Wisconsin Journal of Family Law* 123 (2007).

Renée M. Landers participated on a Continuing Legal Education panel, "Charitable Board Service: What You Need to Know and How to Get Started," sponsored by the Boston Bar Association's Public Interest Leadership Program in April. She also made the following presentations: "Logic, Experience, and the Adventure of Life in the Law—with Apologies to Holmes and Angelou" at a meeting of the Suffolk University Board of Visitors in May; "Strengthening Medicare's Role in Reducing Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities" as part of a panel at the AARP Conference on Diversity and Aging in the 21st Century in Los Angeles in June; "The View Through the Revolving Door: A

Career Combining Private Sector and Public Sector Work” as part of “Life, Law, and Love: Career Issues for the Government & Public Interest Lawyer” at the American Bar Association’s National Conference for the Minority Lawyer in Boston in June; a presentation on careers for women of color in the law as part of a program titled “Pioneering Women of Color” sponsored by the Women’s Bar Association of Massachusetts in June; and a presentation on the law faculty role in encouraging pro bono and public interest work to the Supreme Judicial Court’s Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services at Suffolk Law in September. She was recognized by the Massachusetts Women’s Political Caucus with an Abigail Adams Award in June and participated in the invitation-only Sandra Day O’Connor Project Conference on the State of the Judiciary at Georgetown University Law Center in October. In November the Suffolk Law chapter of the National Black Law Students Association recognized Professor Landers for her “dedication and commitment to the enhancement and development of students at SULS” at its 8th Annual Jazz Reception; also in November, she was elected to membership in the National Academy of Social Insurance. She was recently granted tenure by the Suffolk Law Tenure Committee.

Jeffrey Lipshaw wrote “Screed or Scholarship: The Days of Whine and Roses” (a review of Douglas Litowitz’s *The Destruction of Young Lawyers: Beyond One L*), which was published in 9 *Legal Ethics* 233 (2007); “Freedom, Compulsion, Compliance, and Mystery: Reflections on the Duty Not to Enforce a Promise,” which was published in 3 *Law, Culture and the Humanities* 82 (2007); and “Of Fine Lines, Blunt Instruments, and Half-Truths: Business Acquisition Agreements and the Right to Lie,” published in 32 *Delaware Journal of Corporate Law* 431 (2007). He also presented a paper, “Models and Games,” at the annual conference of the Midwestern Law and Economics Association at the University of Minnesota in October.

Joseph R. Nolan wrote supplements to *Civil Practice*, Volumes 9–9A (with Bruce Henry); *Equitable Remedies*, Volume 31 (with Laurie J. Sartorio); *Criminal Law*, Volume 32 (with Laurie J. Sartorio);

Appellate Procedure, Volume 41 (with Charlene Caldeira); and *Tort Law*, Volume 37 (with Laurie J. Sartorio), all of which are part of *Massachusetts Practice Series* (Thomson West American Casebook Series, 1989, 1993, 2004; supplements 2007).

Andrew Perlman presented “Inadvertent Disclosures, Metadata, and the Government Lawyer” at the National Association of Attorneys General Consumer Protection Seminar in Boston in October, and “Zealous Obedience and the Subordinate Lawyer: Lessons from Social Psychology” at both the Legal Ethics Conference at Hofstra Law School in October and the Works in Progress Series at the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, in September. He also served on the following panels: “Legal Ethics in the Evolving World of Sports Agents” at the 33rd Annual Conference of the Sports Lawyers Association in Cambridge in May; “Ethical Issues for Lawyers in the Age of Technology,” a Boston Bar Association CLE seminar in May; “Massachusetts Rule of Professional Conduct 3.5(d)” at the Massachusetts Bar Association’s Second Annual Bench-Bar Symposium in Boston in October; and “Advanced Issues in E-Discovery” at Suffolk Law’s Center for Advanced Legal Studies in November. He assisted in the preparation of two briefs in support of federal habeas corpus relief in the case of *Willie Simmons Jackson, Petitioner, v. Richard F. Allen, Commissioner, Alabama Department of Corrections et al.* in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama; the briefs were filed in April and September. In January he was elected to the executive committee of the Professional Responsibility Section of the Association of American Law Schools.

Erik Pitchal wrote “Family Values: How Children’s Lawyers Can Help Their Clients by Advocating for Parents,” published in 58 *Juvenile and Family Court Journal* 17 (2007), with Christine Gottlieb; “Where Are All the Children? Increasing Youth Participation in Dependency Proceedings,” published in 12 *Journal of Juvenile Law and Policy* 233 (2008); and “Judging Children As Children: A Proposal for a Juvenile Justice System by Michael A. Corriero,” published in 9 *Barry Law Review* 171 (2007) (book review). He served as moderator for

the panel “Making an Impact: How Direct Service Providers and Class Action Litigators Can Work Together to Improve the System” and gave a presentation, “Ethical Issues in Juvenile Delinquency Representation: Competence, Autonomy, and the Role of the Parent,” at the 30th Annual Conference of the National Association of Counsel for Children in Keystone, Colorado, in August. In May he moderated the panel “Juvenile Delinquency Prevention: Is New York City Doing Enough?” at the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and delivered an induction ceremony keynote address, “Leadership and Listening,” for the Fordham University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Marc A. Rodwin wrote “Medical Commerce, Physician Entrepreneurialism, and Conflicts of Interest,” which was published in 16 *Cambridge Quarterly of Healthcare Ethics* 387 (2007). He presented the following papers: “A Medical Malpractice Premium Crisis? Ignoring Data to Reframe Medical Quality Problems as Failures of Tort Law and Juries” at the Law and Society in the 21st Century Conference in Berlin in July; “The Politics of Medical Malpractice” at the Health Law Professors’ Conference of the American Society of Law, Medicine and Ethics, in Boston in June; and “Conflicts of Interest in Continuing Medical Education” at a meeting of the board of directors of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education in July.

Michael L. Rustad wrote *Understanding Sales, Leases, and Licenses in a Global Perspective* (Carolina Academic Press, 2007); *Everyday Law for Consumers* (Paradigm Publishers, 2007); *Tort Law: Cases, Perspectives, and Problems* (4th edition, LexisNexis, 2007) with Nicolas Terry, Frank Maraist, Frank McClellan, Thomas Galligan, and Phoebe Haddon; “Negligent Entrustment Liability for Outsourced Data,” published in 10 *Journal of Internet Law* 3 (2007), with Thomas H. Koenig; “Stephanie Mencimer’s *Blocking the Courthouse Door: How the Republican Party and Its Corporate Allies Are Taking Away Your Right to Sue*,” published in *Trial* (May 2007) (book review); and “Neglecting the Neglected: The Impact of Noneconomic Damage Caps on Meritorious Nursing Home Lawsuits,” published in 14 *Elder*

Law Journal 331 (2006). He served on the panel "Looking Forward: Punitive Damages in the Next Two Decades—Guideposts from Precedent, History, and Sound Public Policy" at a Charleston School of Law symposium in September; and, with Thomas Koenig, presented the paper "'Hate Torts' to Fight 'Hate Crimes': Punishing the Organizational Roots of Evil" at the Law and Society in the 21st Century Conference in Berlin in July. At the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in New York City in August, he served on the panel "Law and Society: Global Variations in the Path of the Law" and presented a paper, "Lawsuits to Punish the Organizational Roots of Hate," with Thomas Koenig. He also participated in the session "Internet Governance Beyond the Nation State" at the Second Biennial Symposium on the Internet: Governance and the Law, sponsored by the Center for International Legal Studies at the Clinton School of Public Service in Little Rock, Arkansas, in April. In February, Widener University organized a law review symposium on his concept of "crimort" remedies, first coined in a 1998 law review article.

Miguel Schor gave the presentation "Mapping Comparative Judicial Review" at the annual meeting of the New England Political Science Association in Newton in April; the Association of American Law Schools Conference on International Law in Vancouver, Canada, in June (by invitation); and the Law and Society in the 21st Century Conference in Berlin in July. He also presented at the summer research seminar on constitutionalism at the Institute for Constitutional Studies at George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C., in June (by invitation) and gave a talk titled "Thinking About the Global Expansion of Judicial Power" at the Northeastern University Department of Political Science in Boston in October (by invitation). Recently, he was granted tenure by the Suffolk Law Tenure Committee.


Patrick Shin earned a PhD in philosophy from Harvard University in November. In September, he also served as a panel moderator for the seminar "Walking the Line in the 21st Century Workplace," sponsored by the Suffolk Law Advanced Legal Studies program.

Jessica Silbey wrote the chapter "A History of Representations of Justice: Coincident Preoccupations of Law and Film" in *Representations of Justice* (A. Masson and K. O'Connor, eds., Peter Lang, 2007); the article "Truth Tales and Trial Films," published in 40 *Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review* 551 (2007); the article "The Mythical Beginnings of Intellectual Property," published in 15 *George Mason Law Review* 319 (2008); and the op-ed "Justices Taken in by Illusion of Film" in the *Baltimore Sun* (May 13, 2007). She gave a presentation titled "Representations of Law in Film" at the Federal Judicial Center Conference at Suffolk Law in June and in May served as chair and co-organizer of the Suffolk Law Advanced Legal Studies program "The CSI Effect: Litigation Strategies and Courtroom Dynamics."

Elizabeth Trujillo wrote "Shifting Paradigms of Parochialism: Lessons for International Trade Law," published in 3 *Journal of International Law and International Relations* 41 (2007) (peer review), and "Mission Possible: Reciprocal Deference Between Domestic Regulatory Structures and the WTO," published in 40 *Cornell International Law Journal* 201 (2007). She presented a paper titled "Problems of Identity at the Overlap: Reflections on International Trade and Investment Regimes" at LATCRIT XII in Miami in October. In February she presented "Deconstructing the Regional-Multilateral Overlap: The NAFTA Looking Glass" at the Indiana International and Comparative Law Review Symposium, "Assessing the Impact of Existing Bilateral and Multilateral U.S. Trade Agreements and Attempting Policy Recommendations for the Future"; and in March she presented a paper as part of the Faculty Lecture Series at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Kathleen Vinson wrote "Road to Legal Writing Paved with Attention to Reader," which was published in 36 *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* 83 (2007), and "Why I Teach," which was published in *The Law Teacher: The Newsletter of the Institute for Law School Teaching* (Spring 2007). She also gave the following presentations: "Expanding Your Thinking and Gaining a New Perspective: Opportunities for Rejuvenation, Rewards, Challenges, and Lessons Learned" at the Biennial

Conference of the Association of Legal Writing Directors at the University of Denver in June; "Meet the New Boss: Evolving Governance Models in LRW Programs" at the New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Regional Conference at Vermont Law School in December (with co-presenters Professor Gregory Johnson and Professor Robert Volk); "Teaching with Technology" at the Suffolk Law Faculty Colloquium in January (with co-presenters Professor Andrew Perlman and Professor Andrew Beckerman-Rodau); and "The Power of Podcasts," the poster presentation selected by the American Association of Law Schools' Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research, at the annual conference of the American Association of Law Schools in New York in January.

David Yamada wrote "Dignity, Rankism, and Hierarchy in the Workplace: Creating a 'Dignitarian' Agenda for American Employment Law," which was published in 28 *Berkeley Journal of Employment and Labor Law* 305 (2007). He presented a paper, "Regulatory Responses to Workplace Bullying: A Global Law and Public Policy Perspective," at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association in San Diego in May; gave legislative testimony and supporting memoranda on Massachusetts House Bill 1850 before the state legislature's Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development in June; and moderated a panel discussion, "The Employment and Labor Law Professor as Public Intellectual: Sharing Our Work with the World," at the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in New York City in January. He was recently named to the Global Advisory Board of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies, a project of the Columbia University Conflict Resolution Network in New York; and in January he was elected to the board of the Labor and Employment Law Section of the Labor and Employment Relations Association. The February issue of the *ABA Journal* highlighted his legislative advocacy on workplace bullying in an article titled "No Putting Up with Putdowns." 

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FROM THE LAW SCHOOL DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

Dear Law School Alumni:

The number of active Suffolk Law alumni is approaching 22,000 men and women. Increasingly, the power of a Suffolk Law degree is taking our graduates all over New England, across the nation, and around the world. Suffolk alumni form a network that spans all areas of practice in the law, business, and public service. Collectively and individually, this remarkable group has built a century of strength at Suffolk Law by defying expectations and defining their own futures.

Sharing in that strength does not have to end when you receive your degree. In fact, your graduation was just the beginning. Now all of these fellow graduates are as close as your keyboard with the Suffolk Alumni Online Community.

The Online Community provides us with an opportunity to redefine access for Suffolk in a new century. Once, access was what brought students to Suffolk. Today—and tomorrow—access is what can keep you involved and benefiting personally and professionally from all Suffolk has to offer. We seek to build a vibrant national and international community of graduates linked not merely with computers, but connected by your common experience at Suffolk Law and how it has transformed your lives.

I encourage you to visit the Online Community today to activate your profile. It's free and easy to log in, and once your profile has been confirmed, you are instantly in touch with thousands of fellow alumni. While you are there, please also do the following:

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- Include your law specialty, so that together we can develop a portrait of the many ways that Suffolk Law alumni are using their degrees
- Take advantage of free and powerful features: make connections using the comprehensive database, sign up for a permanent forwarding email address, and keep track of alumni events and offerings on campus and throughout the country
- Tap into the Career Advisory Network—a great resource for reaching your professional goals with the help of fellow Suffolk graduates who've reached the top themselves

Activate your profile today, and put the strength of Suffolk Law to work for you.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Frankel Schoenfeld".

Diane Frankel Schoenfeld

Meet the Dean

Dean Alfred Aman (right) added to his frequent flier tallies this fall, traveling thousands of miles to meet with Suffolk Law alumni in eight different locations across the country.

Boston



Delaware Valley



Rhode Island



New York



Florida



Washington, D.C.



New Hampshire



Follow the Leader

The Suffolk University Alumni Association lauded the university's corps of dedicated volunteers at the **Fourth Annual Leadership Conference**, held in September.



PHOTOS FROM LEFT:
Robert Parrillo JD '74,
Hon. Maureen Goldberg JD '78, LLD '99,
Stanley Sokoloff JD '66

Betty Gaudreau, Seth Gaudreau JD '07,
Russell Gaudreau Jr. JD '68,
Erin Gaudreau, Russell Gaudreau III JD '98,
Lawrence DiCara JD '76

On the Road Again

Professor Charles Kindregan Jr. spoke to alumni in Boston and traveled to chapters in Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C., to deliver a talk titled "Beyond the Brave New World: Assisted Reproductive Technology Law in The Modern Age," part of the Suffolk Law Alumni Association "On the Road" lecture series.



PHOTOS CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:
Professor Charles Kindregan Jr.,
Donald Pitman JD '95,
Serge Georges JD '96

Adjunct Faculty Member Maureen
McBrien JD '03, Professor Kindregan

Prospective law students and
recent grads listen to Professor Kindregan

Accepted student Sarah Doherty,
Barry Pettinato JD '91



Alumni Luncheon Speaker Series

George Sigalos JD '98, former director of government relations for Halliburton—KBR and currently a consultant and lobbyist, spoke on “The Intersection of Law, Lobbying and Politics in Washington, D.C.” as part of the Alumni Luncheon Series.



PHOTOS FROM LEFT:
George Sigalos JD '98
Michelle Mustone JD '88,
Pierce Haley BSBA '88, JD '94



Getting Smarter

Patricia Annino JD '81 (right), a partner at Prince, Lobel, Glovsky & Tye LLP, spoke to Suffolk Law alumni and students about estate planning as part of the “Get \$mart!” financial literacy program, sponsored by the offices of Financial Aid and Alumni Relations.



Celebrating 25 Years

John J. Martin JD '75, the first African American to be appointed First Justice of the Housing Court of Worcester County; and Andrea J. Cabral JD '86, the first African American female sheriff in Massachusetts history, were the honored speakers at the Suffolk Black Law Students Association 25th Annual Award Banquet, held at the Union Club in April.



PHOTOS CLOCKWISE
FROM TOP LEFT:
Hon. John J. Martin JD '75
Hon. Andrea Cabral JD '86
Farrah Saint-Surin JD '08,
Shabnam Mashmasarmi,
President Elect of BLSA

Getting Them Online

Jeremiah Johnston JD '04, COO and general counsel for domain-name marketplace Sedo.com, discussed the online economy at a Suffolk Law reception for alumni and students, hosted by Boston law firm Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP and sponsored by the *Journal of High Technology Law*.



PHOTOS FROM LEFT:
Jeremiah Johnston JD '04
Patrick Concannon JD '99,
Dean Alfred Aman
Tyson Lynch JD '07



Opening Night

William Troupe JD '72 (right) strikes a pose at the Suffolk Club Open House, held at the Downtown Harvard Club in February.



Diane Modica JD '89, Fran Riley

Afternoon at the Museum

Metro West alumni took a Sunday afternoon tour of the Wellesley College Davis Art Museum followed by an afternoon tea at the Wellesley College Club.



Elise Hoffman JD '03, Julie Batal JD '07,
Michelle Darby JD '03



Dan Sencebaugh JD '07, Josh Sullivan JD '07,
Chris Zambuto JD '07, Melissa Nigro JD '07

First in Line

This fall and winter, members of the Suffolk Law family gathered in Boston to catch up and informally network—and for some, to celebrate passing the Massachusetts Bar—as part of the Suffolk Alumni Association's First Thursdays.

From the Director of Career Development

Mary Karen Rogers

Having been a part of the career development team for more than 20 years, I cannot tell you how exciting it is to assume my new position as director of career development. Now is a pivotal moment in our law school's history, and as we embark on a series of initiatives designed to further enhance our institution's academic offerings, I am honored to be a part of this process.

I want to take this time to share with you some of the recent changes we have initiated as well as our future goals for the department.

My first initiative was to create a **Judicial Clerkship Advisor** position dedicated to heightening the visibility of judicial clerkship opportunities. Margaret Talmers has been appointed to this position and will be guiding students through the intricate path of the judicial clerkship application process. As law clerk to the Honorable A. David Mazzone of the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts from 1991 to 1992 and from 1993 to 1996, she brings firsthand understanding of both the duties and the rewards of a judicial clerkship.




The Career Development Office also recently collaborated with the Faculty Clerkship Committee in establishing the **First Year Judicial Summer Internship Program**. By using our web-based recruitment system, we were able to streamline the application process and thus assist the Faculty Clerkship Committee in matching first-year students with alumni in the judiciary for an unpaid summer internship. I would like to thank all the alumni participating in this valuable project.

Another exciting change is the new **Alumni Online Community** and in particular the **Career Advisory Network**. This online networking tool gives you the opportunity to communicate with other Suffolk Law

alumni and will enable law students and alumni to connect in ways that were not possible before.

The Career Advisory Network, a subsection of the Suffolk University Alumni Association Online Community, offers students and alumni alike a way to look up information regarding your area of practice and involvement in the world of law. This type of information exchange allows alumni to make useful contacts with one another and enables current students to make better decisions about their career goals.

To access the Career Advisory Network, log in to the Alumni Online Community, select "Career Advisory Network" from the menu on the right, and follow the steps for registering and completing your profile. Sarah Libby, recruitment coordinator in the Career Development Office, can assist you in entering your current information in this new alumni directory. Feel free to email her at slibby@suffolk.edu with any questions.

I will continue to update you with news about changes in the Career Development Office, and as always I welcome your thoughts and feedback. 

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Your City > Use our dynamic downtown location as your base to explore Boston.

Your Law School > If you haven't been back in a while, you'll be surprised to see how we've changed!

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A graduate must be a member of the bar in good standing for at least three years before the highest court of any state.

There are two processes for which you may gain admission to the Supreme Court:

1. Open Court Admission

In this admission, the applicant is presented in court on April 6, 2009, during a special session. **There is a limit of 50 alumni who can participate in this session. Initial application requests will be accepted in the Office of Alumni Relations starting in October. Completed applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.**

• Open Court Application Packets

Application materials will be sent from the alumni relations office to interested alumni. **Completed applications must be returned to the alumni office for processing no later than February 9, 2009.** Completed applications must be accompanied by a certificate of good standing and a \$200 check payable to the U.S. Supreme Court.

• Open Court Admissions-Related Events

Plans are underway for several festive events before and after the swearing-in ceremony, including a cocktail reception with the Washington, D.C., Alumni Chapter on April 5, 2009, a breakfast the morning of the swearing-in, and a luncheon for participants and their guests following the ceremony on Monday. More detailed information will be available in the fall.



2. Written Motion Admission

Graduates can file a completed application directly with the U.S. Supreme Court Clerk's Office. The certificate is mailed directly to the applicant. There is no quota on the number of graduates who can apply for admission by written motion.

For further information, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 617.305.1999 or amueller@suffolk.edu.

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Alumni Weekend 2008

For all events, please make advance reservations with the Office of Alumni Relations at 617.305.1999 or amueller@suffolk.edu.

Young Alumni "Happy Hour"

The Red Hat, 9 Bowdoin Street, Boston
Thursday, June 12, 6 pm to 8 pm

Half-Century Club Luncheon for the Class of 1958

Sargent Hall, Friday, June 13, Noon

Alumni Weekend Welcome Reception

Boston Symphony Hall, Higginson North Room, Friday, June 13, 6 pm, \$25

Boston POPS: "A Little Night Music"

Boston Symphony Hall
Friday, June 13, 8 pm
\$50 balcony, \$77 floor

Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting

Sargent Hall, Saturday, June 14, 9:30 am

Freedom Trail Tour

Departs from Sargent Hall
Saturday, June 14
10 am to 11:30 am, \$12



ICA Museum Tour

Bus departs from Sargent Hall
Saturday, June 14, 11 am, \$25

Fenway Park Tour

4 Yawkey Way
Saturday, June 14, 11 am, \$10

Duck Tour

Tour departs from the front of the Gould Shaw Memorial, across from the State House on Beacon Street
Saturday, June 14,
3 pm to 4:30 pm
\$24 adults, \$12 children

Suffolk Law Alumni Awards Reception and Dinner

John Joseph Moakley Federal United States Courthouse
One Courthouse Way
Saturday, June 14, 6:30 pm
\$85 (\$45 Classes 2003-08)

Alumni Achievement Award

Michael J. Sullivan JD '83

Alumni Service Award

The Suffolk Law School Alumni Chapter of Metropolitan Washington, D.C.



Don't Look Back—Look Around

At the Suffolk Alumni Weekend Dinner, don't just look back on your days at Suffolk Law—look around you, and you'll see an astonishing group of men and women who are changing the world in law, business, government, and every other field of endeavor.

We invite you to a special evening to share and celebrate your connection to this remarkable association. Enjoy an outdoor reception on the Boston waterfront followed by dinner in the John Joseph Moakley Courthouse atrium.

Suffolk Law Alumni Awards Reception & Dinner

Saturday, June 14, 2008

John Joseph Moakley Courthouse

6:30 pm

For details, call 617.305.1999
or visit www.law.suffolk.edu/alumni

2008 ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Michael J. Sullivan JD '83

*United States Attorney,
the District of Massachusetts
Acting Director, United States Bureau of
Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives*

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

**The Suffolk Law School Alumni Chapter
of Metropolitan Washington, D.C.**

*In Recognition of 25 Years of Service
to Suffolk University Law School*

ALUMNI EVENTS

For more information, contact Alumni Relations at 617.305.1999 or visit www.law.suffolk.edu/alumni.

ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES

The following schedule is tentative. All events are held in Sargent Hall unless otherwise noted.

Contact ALS for more information at 617.573.8627 or als@suffolk.edu, or visit www.law.suffolk.edu/als.

June

RI Chapter Reception

Castle Hill Inn, Newport, RI
Wednesday, June 18
6 pm to 8 pm

Washington, D.C., Chapter Career Panel for Alumni and Student Interns

Hon. Jose Lopez JD '77, Michael Macleod-Ball JD '89, Bob Martin JD '94, Lisa Mulrain JD '97, John O'Callaghan JD '89, Andrew Turley JD '84, Shaw Sprague JD '05

Venable LLP, 575 7th Street NW,
Washington, D.C.
Tuesday, June 24
6 pm

July

Alumni Night with Red Sox vs. Minnesota

Fenway Park, Tuesday, July 8, 7:05 pm

Pre-Bar Exam Good Luck Breakfast and Snack

Sargent Hall, Friday, July 18
8 am breakfast, 5:30 pm snack

5th Annual Boston Chapter Sunset Schooner Sailing

Salem, MA
Saturday, July 19
5:45 pm to 8 pm



July–August

Cape and Islands Alumni Gatherings

Wednesday, July 30, Martha's Vineyard
Thursday, July 31, Osterville
Thursday, August 7, Nantucket
6 pm

August



2008 Oxford Summer School

Cosponsored with the University of Missouri-Kansas City CLE
Saturday, August 2 through
Saturday, August 16
St. Edmund Hall, Oxford University
For more information and to register, please contact:
Peniey McClary, Assistant Director
Center for Advanced Legal Studies
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Lowell Spinners

LeLacheur Park
Lowell, MA
Sunday, August 3
Lunch in the Gator Pit at 12 pm
Game at 1:35 pm

Alumni Night with Red Sox vs. Texas Rangers

Fenway Park
Thursday, August 14
7:05 pm



Tanglewood Concert and Post Concert Reception

Lenox, MA
Sunday, August 17
2:30 pm to 6:30 pm

September

Ford Hall Forum Kickoff:

Jimmy Wales, CEO of Wikipedia
Suffolk University C. Walsh Theatre
Thursday, September 11
4:30 pm lecture, 6 pm reception

11th Annual Northeast Elder Law Symposium

Friday, September 12
9 am to 5 pm

A New Look at an Old 40B

Friday, September 19
9 am to 12:30 pm

Fundamentals of Collaborative Practice: Resolving Conflict without Litigation

Thursday, September 25, and Friday,
September 26
9 am to 5 pm



October

Aging Out of Foster Care

Friday, October 6
4 pm to 6 pm

36th Annual NLRB/DOL Annual Conference

Thursday, October 16
1 pm to 5 pm

New Business and Legal Issues in a Digital Age: Music and Film

Friday, October 17
9 am to 5 pm

Will You Be Prepared When an Assisted Reproductive Technology Case Walks into Your Office?

Thursday, October 23
4 pm to 7:30 pm

Lambert Conference: Successful Strategies for Jury Trial

Friday, October 24
9 am to 5 pm

Investor-State Arbitration: Perspectives on Legitimacy and Practice

Friday, October 31
9 am to 5 pm

1962

Samuel Zoll, former district court chief justice, was named to a three-year term as chair of the Massachusetts Joint Labor-Management Committee.

1969

Edward P. Sullivan, executive director-treasurer of the Massachusetts Teachers Association, retired after more than three decades with the association.

1971

Howard Pulsifer retired as general counsel at AAR Corporation.

1972

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Richard Weiss
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James F. Connors was elected to the board of Spectrum Health Systems Inc.

Christine (Newman) Garvey was elected as an independent director to the boards of two public companies: Union Bank of California and HCP Inc.

1973

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Robert Carlson recently retired as vice president of philanthropic solutions for U.S. Trust at Bank of America in Boston. In October 2007, he reopened his law practice in Weston, Massachusetts.

Peter W. MacConnell was named a partner at the Springfield, Massachusetts-based law firm Bacon Wilson PC.

1974

Michael J. Wallach is teaching "This Business of Acting," a class he created four years ago for the University of California–Los Angeles Extension.

1975

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

Richard Cuffe
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Richard Gallivan moved the Massachusetts office of Gallivan & Santos PC from Walpole to Buzzards Bay and opened Gallivan & Santos West in Oak Park, California.

1976

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Virginia Bonesteel
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Thomas Gay was appointed general manager of the Wareham Gatemen baseball team, a member of the Cape Cod Baseball League.

Lawrence S. DiCara, an attorney at Nixon Peabody LLP, was elected chairman of the Boston Municipal Research Bureau.

1977

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Robert Turner
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D. Holley Carnright was elected district attorney for Ulster County, New York.

NEWSMAKER

He's the Tax Man



Paul Cherecwich Jr. JD '71 was only one year into his five-year term on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Oversight Board when he suddenly found himself leading it. When the former chairman stepped down for professional reasons last November, Cherecwich was nominated for the prestigious position of running the board that oversees the IRS in its administration of the tax laws passed by Congress. He will sit at the helm of the nine-member board for a two-year term during what he notes is an exciting time to be chairman.

"The IRS has been a good government agency, but it needs to make that leap in performance to make it a great one," he notes.

That's where Cherecwich comes in. During his tenure, he will focus on improving tax law enforcement, modernizing systems, upgrading human capital management practices, and improving customer service.

"The IRS comes into contact with more Americans than any other agency," says the Salt Lake City, Utah, resident. "So I'm very concerned that it provide an appropriate level of customer service."

Prior to his most recent appointment, Cherecwich had a long, distinguished career in tax law. He worked for three Fortune 500 companies, retiring in 2000 from Cordant Technologies Inc. as vice president of tax and tax counsel, and

then joined the law firm of Miller & Chevalier Chartered as of counsel until retiring in 2004. Cherecwich also has participated in many professional groups and has served on the boards of many charitable organizations.

He attributes his years at Suffolk Law and its supportive network of alumni for his successes.

"Suffolk Law taught me how to think and analyze a situation," he says, "and to recognize that there are two sides to every story. And thus, I learned how to advocate on behalf of a wide variety of clients."

—Lauren Walser

1978

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CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Bruce Tobey was appointed 2008 chair of the advisory council of the National League of Cities.

1979

Paul Doane was named executive director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

Marcia (McGair) Ippolito, chief of legal services for the Rhode Island Department of Administration, is president of the Rhode Island Bar Association.

George Johnson returned to Boston with Wells Fargo to focus on the residential market after spending 14 years in Hong Kong and Sydney in the corporate real estate lending sector.

Kevin Wall recently joined the Suffolk Law adjunct faculty, teaching Accounting for Lawyers. He also teaches Tax Factors for Business Decisions and Cost Control Techniques in the graduate program at Harvard University.

1980

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Edwin Wallace

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Jordan Fiore was recently elected to the Taunton, Massachusetts, City Council. He previously served there from 1988 to 1990 and from 1992 to 2002, and has served on the Taunton School Committee since 2002.

Robert Sawyer was promoted to vice president and general counsel of Friendly Ice Cream Corporation. He joined the company in 2000 as deputy counsel.

1981

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Sheila Tracey

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Patricia Annino, a partner at Prince, Lobel, Glovsky & Tye in Boston, was included in the 2008 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Michael Murphy joined the Boston office of Preti Flaherty as a director in the litigation group.

1982

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Edward L. Wallack

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James Barretto BS '77 is currently a partner in the law firm of Bellotti & Barretto PC, which he cofounded in 1989.

Gary Bubb was appointed chair of the mergers and acquisitions group at Ruberto, Israel & Weiner PC of Boston.

Thomas Doyle, a partner at Pierce Atwood LLP in Portland, Maine, was included in the 2008 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Anne (Winnifred) Hulecki celebrated the 10th anniversary of her law office, which focuses on copyright, trademark, software and technology licensing, and commercial and general business law.

Virginia McCarthy joined OneBeacon Insurance Group in Canton, Massachusetts, as associate general counsel.

Mary Jane McKenna, senior counsel at the Lowell firm of Gallagher & Cavanaugh LLP, was elected president of the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys.

1983

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Philip Mulvey III

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Carl D. Rosenblum, an attorney at Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrère & Denègre LLP in New Orleans, was included in the 2008 edition of *Louisiana Super Lawyers*.

1984

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Mario Iglesias

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Drew Anderson, a director at Murray, Plumb & Murray in Portland, Maine, was included in the *New England Super Lawyers Magazine*.

Timothy Furey was elected chairman of the board of Bristol Hospital and Health Care Group.

1985

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Michael Callahan

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Ellen (Gillis) Giblin and **Joseph Giblin** both received the International Association of Privacy Professionals designation as Certified Information Privacy Professionals and serve in compliance-related capacities at their respective companies, Iron Mountain and Liberty Mutual.

Hal Leibowitz was recently named co-chair of the corporate practice group at Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP in Boston.

James Timmins was appointed city solicitor in Quincy, Massachusetts.

1986

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

Mark Barnett

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Paul Cohen is general counsel at Novations Group Inc., a leading provider of consulting and training services, and is also part-time counsel at Lionbridge Technologies Inc.

John Perten was elected a shareholder at Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green in Manchester, New Hampshire.

1987

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

Mark Darling

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Michael F. Walsh

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Debra Breton is a solo practitioner based in Saugus, Massachusetts, and is also the founder of the mortgage brokerage company One Stop Mortgage Company LLC.

James Steiner is campaigning to be congressman for the Second District of New Hampshire.

1988

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CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Karen Lynch Bernard

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AnnMarie Cienava Rocco BA '83 is a partner in the Connecticut law firm Poliner, Poliner, Antin & Cienava Rocco PC.

Jean S. Everett was named resident partner in the newly opened Washington, D.C., office of Hiscock & Barclay LLP.

Daniel Less was named chief of the Southeastern Regional Office of the Massachusetts Attorney General.

Maureen McDonough is director of program administration for the Allston Development Group at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Carol A. Starkey was named a partner at Conn Kavanaugh Rosenthal Peisch & Ford LLP.

1989

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Richard Manley was named principal of Windham High School in New Hampshire.

Richard R. Staiti was appointed director of science and technology at Canton High School.

1990

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Joel R. Davidson

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Edmund W. Chapman, an attorney with ExxonMobil Corporation, received a Leadership Award from RasGas Company Ltd. in Doha, Qatar.

Michael F. Corrente was elected director in the tax group of the Providence, Rhode Island, office of Tofias PC.

Joseph M. Impagliazzo was inducted into the Hall of Fame at Bishop Hendricken High School in Warwick, Rhode Island.

Michelle (Nadeau) O'Brien was selected to appear in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of environmental law.

Dennis Sargent was appointed assistant clerk magistrate of the Clinton District Court in Clinton, Massachusetts.

1991

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

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Elizabeth Arwine is chief patent attorney and intellectual property counsel for the U.S. Army Medical Command and for the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command.

Elizabeth (Croke) Comproni has relocated her family law practice to Quincy, Massachusetts.

Robert Digiantomaso joined the Bristol County District Attorney's office as a prosecutor focusing on gun crimes and street-level drug dealing cases in New Bedford, Dartmouth, and Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

Nicholas Triano III is director of intellectual property at ConforMIS Inc., a pre-IPO medical device company in Burlington, Massachusetts.

1992

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Jeff Padwa

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Irene Donnell is director of public relations at the Mount Washington Resort in New Hampshire.

Nicole Lamarine is operations manager at Onex Investment Corporation, a private equity firm in New York City.

1993

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ALUMNI PROFILE

1994

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Judy Crowley

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Russell Kirshy has his own criminal defense and personal injury practice in Port Charlotte, Florida.

Joseph Lawlor was named director of human resources for Delaware North Companies–Boston to oversee the human resources functions of the TD Banknorth Garden, the Boston Bruins, Agganis Arena at Boston University, and the Tweeter Center for the Performing Arts.

1995

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Gary Murad

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Kathy Jo Cook, a partner at the newly formed Yarashus, Wagner, Cook, Freiburger & Washienko LLC of Boston, was named president of the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts.

Peter J. Gordon joined the Boston office of Fish & Richardson PC as of counsel in the patent group.

Patricia Hider is a magistrate in Hamilton, Ohio, serving under Judge Randy Rogers at the Butler County Probate Court.

1996

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Marisa DeFranco is an immigration attorney in Peabody, Massachusetts.

Jeffrey M. Jacobs was named a partner at Coughlin & Gerhart LLP in Binghamton, New York.

Charlie's Angels

Sporting a stuffed velvet chicken hat—one of his 86 signature toppers—and a smudge of lipstick on his cheek, Charlie Griffin JD '32 merrily strolls the halls of Portsmouth Regional Hospital in New Hampshire. A constant chorus of women's voices greets the popular centenarian volunteer with "Hello, Charlie!" as Griffin spends the next five hours pulling his walker bedside to check on his regular patients, sending cheerful messages and departing with an enthusiastic thumbs-up.

Seventy-five years ago, Griffin wielded that thumb quite differently, using it to hitchhike from Portsmouth to Boston when he could not afford the train to get to class at Suffolk Law. Griffin, the school's oldest living alumnus, entered the law school straight out of high school at a time when undergraduate degrees were not required for admission.

Griffin's foray into law came at an inopportune time. "It was in the midst of the Great Depression, and it was lousy," he recalls. "For my first whole year, my gross income was \$600!" But Griffin persevered, establishing a solo practice that thrived in his hometown of Portsmouth for more than 50 years.

It was 12 years ago that Griffin found his second calling. After his wife passed away from a long illness, he pulled himself out of retirement and became a volunteer at Portsmouth Regional Hospital, the facility that had tended to his wife off and on for several years.

"They gave her such good care that I felt I should repay it," Griffin says. He began logging four-to-five-hour days, five days a week, walking the halls and offering well-wishes to patients. Griffin estimates that he has logged more than 12,000 volunteer hours total.

Of the more than 200,000 people Griffin has visited during his tenure, one of his first patients lingers in his memory.

"She couldn't walk. She couldn't talk. She couldn't eat. She couldn't drink," Griffin says, recalling how he held the woman's hand every day. "And, lo and behold, one day she returned the shaking of my hand. And after a while she got to the point that she would recognize me as being Charlie."

The woman eventually made a full recovery and continues to stay in touch with Griffin to this day. "She is my prized patient," he says proudly.

Griffin's goofy hat aesthetic began as a lark 10 years ago when someone at the hospital gave him a silly hat as a present. Soon more and more friends and patients were gifting him odd-looking chapeaus; today, Griffin boasts an impressive arsenal of jester caps, crazy top hats, huge foam cowboy hats, a red-and-white striped Dr. Seuss hat, and even a hat made out of a plastic bed pan—a joke gift from the hospital staff.

Griffin's volunteering efforts have earned him a roster of accolades, including the Rotary Club's Spirit of Life Award, numerous Catholic Charities honors, and the 2006 Frist Humanitarian Award for philanthropic work.

Asked what he wished for at his century-mark November birthday bash, Griffin peeks up from beneath his velvety brim. "I just wish that I can have good health so I can continue to comfort people in the hospital," he says.



—Jeannie Greeley

Jeannine McNaught Reardon BS '93 authored a lead article in the *Suffolk University Law Review* titled "Selecting Supreme Court Justices: Preserving the System, Protecting with Professionalism."

1997

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Anthony Cabeca is principal in the mergers and acquisitions transaction services group at Deloitte Tax LLP.

Dana F. Clarke joined the Los Angeles office of Hudson Cook LLP as a partner.

Sean Cunniff has joined the Tower Group, Inc. as a senior analyst in the securities and investments practice.

Kimberly Kozemchak Paster works part-time at Holland & Knight LLP in Boston in the syndication practice group.

Peter A. Kuperstein was elected a partner at Prince, Lobel, Glovksy & Tye in Boston.

John J. Rogers was named a partner in the Providence, Rhode Island, office of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge.

1998

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Cesar Archilla submitted nomination papers to the secretary of state as a Democratic candidate from the Eighth Essex District for the Massachusetts House of Representatives. He is in private practice with the law firm of Andrews & Updegraph PC in Salem.

Melissa (Fletcher) Craig is a staff attorney for South Coastal Counties Legal Services in Fall River, Massachusetts.

John C. Gallagher was named counsel in the New York office of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge in the firm's litigation department and the class action and mass litigation practice group.

Jonathan Winnick joined Bernstein Shur in Portland, Maine, as a shareholder in the business law practice group.

1999

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Manisha Bhatt, an attorney with Greater Boston Legal Services, was named Member of the Year and Board Member of the Year by the South Asian Bar Association of Greater Boston.

David Burns was elected a partner at Lahive & Cockfield LLP in Boston.

George Comeau BS '88, MPA '93 was reappointed to a five-year term on the nine-member Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

C. Nathan Dee is a partner in the financial restructuring and workout group at Cullen and Dykman LLP.

Sean Leonard is a partner in the Boston office of Holland & Knight LLP.

Sean O'Brien was promoted to partner in the Boston office of Seyfarth Shaw LLP.

David Reardon BS '93 is an inspector-attorney for the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

Mark D. Russett was named a partner in the Boston office of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge.

Charles A. Stevens joined PAREXEL International as vice president and general manager of health policy and strategic reimbursement services, a unit based in Washington, D.C.

Colleen E. Stevenson was promoted to a vice president at Bank of America, where she is a member of the contract negotiation team in the corporate aircraft finance group at Bank of America Leasing & Capital LLC. She was also named president of Team Bank of America's Rhode Island volunteer network.

Kelly Strong was appointed director of labor relations/labor counsel at the Massachusetts Port Authority.

2000

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Louis D. DeMato joined the tax department of the New Hampshire firm McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton PA.

ALUMNI PROFILE

Stacey C. Friends was named a shareholder in the Boston firm of Ruberto, Israel & Weiner PC.

Margaret R. Kerouac, an attorney in the litigation department of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton PA in Manchester, New Hampshire, received the Advocate designation from National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

2001

CLASS CORRESPONDENTS

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Peter A. DiMattia was promoted to senior patent attorney at Nalco Company in Naperville, Illinois.

Jennifer Lee Magas is vice president of communications at Magas Media Consultants LLC in Monroe, Connecticut, and a visiting professor in the English department at Fairfield University.

Joseph Teja Jr. was named a shareholder at Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks PC.

2002

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

Shahan J. Kapitanyan

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Amy L. Brosius was named a principal in the Boston office of Fish & Richardson PC.

Matthew J. Dunn opened a law office at 15 Broad Street in Boston.

James Enlow is a production attorney for Harpo Inc.

Alison (Gormley) Fabella is assistant general counsel to the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

Putting Down Roots

Jeffrey Glassman JD '91 spent the first 10 years of his career in typical driven-attorney fashion: working like a crazy person and stressed to the hilt.

"You're supposed to take time to smell the roses," the Boston personal injury attorney says. "I wasn't smelling any roses."

These days, though, Glassman's nose is a lot closer to the blooms. The Needham, Massachusetts, native is the founder and CEO of RainforestMaker, a 501(c) (3) nonprofit whose primary purpose is to grow back the world's rainforests.

In 2001—exhausted from his long hours as a solo practitioner—Glassman made his way to Baja California Sur, Mexico, for a spirituality retreat called Sacred Passage. The program involved going out into the wilderness alone for seven days in order to reconnect with nature and reduce stress. At least, that was the plan.

"I was out in the Baja coast, and it was great for, like, 10 minutes," he says. "I'm so Type A, I just went nuts. Two days later, I packed up all my bags, chunked them in a cactus bush, and hitchhiked back to base camp."

In 2002 Glassman went back to Baja, made it through the whole program, and went on to participate in Sacred Passage programs in Colorado, Utah, and Arizona. But whenever he returned to the city, his stress also returned, and with a vengeance. Glassman fought back, buying many plants for his apartment and doing *qi gong*, a meditative exercise, but nothing worked.

Then one morning, Glassman had a moment of career clarity. "I'm doing *qi gong* and thinking, What am I going to do with myself? And all of a sudden the word 'rainforestmaker' came into my head." The invented term—a play on the "rainmaker" epithet bestowed on lawyers for their business-generating abilities—set the course for Glassman's career shift.

Soon, Glassman started reading up on rainforests and ecology. "Once I stumbled on the fact that the rainforest makes up 50 percent of the world's biodiversity but only covers 2 percent of the Earth's surface, it made sense to focus on the rainforest," he recalls.

Glassman officially founded RainforestMaker (www.rainforestmaker.org) in January 2007, working out of his law offices and using his own money to pay all administrative costs. In partnership with the University of Vienna, Glassman has spent the last year working on a tree-planting project in Costa Rica—a country in which approximately 25,000 acres of land are deforested every year. So far RainforestMaker has helped to replant about 15,000 trees; Glassman's long-term goal is to plant 2 million.

In the future, Glassman hopes to expand his replanting efforts into Brazil; he is also working with the Massachusetts Bar Association to create green guidelines for law offices (according to the American Bar Association, the average lawyer uses up approximately one ton of paper per year).

Glassman is still balancing his full-time personal injury practice with his environmental work, which translates to a lot of nights and weekends in the office. But for a man who's finally discovered his life's work, it's more than worth it.

"I don't want to be known as a great personal injury lawyer," Glassman says. "I want to be known as the rainforestmaker."

—Arlin Greenwood



Justin Fabella joined the law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP as an associate.

Renée M. Hawk was elected a shareholder of the Boston firm Barron & Stadfeld.

Mark Iacono has been named partner at the law firm of Correia & Iacono LLP.

Brian Kyes is chief of police in Chelsea, Massachusetts.

William Moorhouse returned from Iraq in June 2007, where he served as the chief of administrative and civil law with the Third Infantry Division. He is currently working toward his LLM at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Lisa Parent works for Fidelity Investments in Boston in the risk department.

David Skinner is an attorney-advisor at the U.S. Tax Court in Washington, D.C.

2003

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CLASS CORRESPONDENT

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Kristen (Vogel) Blabey is at Price Postel & Parma LLP in Santa Barbara, California, doing trusts and estates and taxation work.

Peter Dini was elected a partner at Lahive & Cockfield LLP in Boston.

Julie (Warshafsky) Fraser is a litigation associate at Badger, Dolan, Parker & Cohen in Boston, and is pursuing an MBA on a part-time basis.

Jessica Massey is an assistant attorney general in the Office of the Attorney General of Massachusetts, working in the Special Investigations and Narcotics Division.

Nicole (Armstrong) Ramos is a family law attorney at Davis & Ravis PC in North Reading, Massachusetts.

Jennifer Rivett Schick has joined the trusts and estates practice group at Devine Millimet in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Stephen Silveri opened the Law Office of Stephen D. Silveri in Dedham, Massachusetts, focusing on residential real estate and estate planning matters.

Maryanne Trevisan was named a shareholder at Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks PC.

2004

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Lori A. Atkins BS '01 is a litigation associate at Marcus, Errico, Emmer and Brooks PC.

Kelly Aylward was named co-chair of the CLE Committee of the Boston Bar Association's Trust and Estates Section.

Tracy M. Conlon has opened a law office in Beverly, Massachusetts.

Nicholas C. Fleming joined the business and corporate practice group at Fletcher, Tilton & Whipple PC in Worcester, Massachusetts, as an associate.

Karen (Rencus) Gray works at Gibson Sotheby's International Realty in Boston, specializing in the purchase and sale of residential real estate in the Boston area.

Bridgette (Morrissey) Kelly is a litigator in the legal department of the Boston Housing Authority.

Marren Sanders earned a doctor of juridical science degree in indigenous peoples law and policy from the James E. Rogers College of Law at the University of Arizona. She is the indigenous law and policy curriculum development manager in the university's native peoples technical assistance office.

William Shaw is patent counsel at Boston Scientific Corporation.

Adam Stewart is an associate at Shapiro Haber & Urmy LLP in Boston.

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2005

CLASS CORRESPONDENT

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Meredith C. Burns has joined Murtha Cullina LLP in Hartford, as an associate.

Wayne Carroll has an intellectual property law practice in Phoenix.

Kyla Dennigan is a bank regulatory associate at Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP in New York.

Lisa Hawke joined BP America in Houston in the North America gas and power trading compliance group.

Katharine A. Higgins-Shea joined Lyon & Fitzpatrick LLP in Holyoke, Massachusetts, as an associate.

Gregory J. Sieczkiewicz, an associate at Proskauer Rose in Boston, was elected to the board of governors of the Boston Patent Law Association for 2007-08.

2006

Linda Cammuso is an associate in the estate, business, and tax planning-estate and trust administration department at the law firm of Fusaro, Altomare and Ermilio in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Jonathan Friedman joined Charny, Charny & Karpousis in Haddonfield, New Jersey, as an associate.

Andrea L.C. Robidoux was named a partner at Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP.

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2007

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Alexander Akhiezer was promoted to associate at the Concord, Massachusetts, law firm Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds.

Hak J. Chang joined the Concord, Massachusetts, law firm Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds as an associate.

Florence Knauf works at the Department of Energy in Washington, D.C., specializing in nuclear weapon nonproliferation law.

Lauren McDowell is working as a judicial law clerk for the Massachusetts Probate and Family Court.

Sarah C. Smith joined Gust Rosenfeld in Phoenix as an associate.

Sara Stanley is in the midst of a Department of Justice Honors Program clerkship with the Boston Immigration Court.

Meghan Tafe is an associate attorney at Kelly & Associates PC in Quincy, Massachusetts.

Jaimee Zuboff joined Halloran & Sage LLP in Hartford as an associate.

Stephanie Zywiec joined the Andover, Massachusetts, office of Devine, Millimet & Branch PA.

Sportswomanlike Conduct

Kristen Kuliga JD '94 is dismantling gender barriers without even trying.

"It really isn't an unfriendly environment to women," the National Football League agent says of her chosen field. "It's just that there aren't too many doing it." Out of roughly 1,150 agents registered with the NFL Players Association, only 30 are women, Kuliga says, and only a few have actual clients in the NFL—"and I'm one of them."

Kuliga is the president and CEO of K Sports & Entertainment LLC, a Boston-based sports agency and marketing firm with a multi-sport client list that includes former quarterback Doug Flutie and current and past New England Patriots players Willie McGinest and Mike Vrabel.

Sports were always in her blood: Kuliga's father was a high school athletics director, and Kuliga ran track and did gymnastics while in high school. "I think just being around sports my whole life helped attract me to a career in sports," she says. "Competing helped foster the drive and confidence to keep moving forward in my career."

While at Suffolk Law, Kuliga explored many career opportunities, from civil litigation at a small partnership to a summer honors program at the Justice Department. After her second year, Kuliga began an internship at Woolf Associates, the former Boston sports agency that represented such Boston sports luminaries as Larry Bird and Carl Yastrzemski. At the end of a year working on contracts and event appearances, Woolf offered her a full-time job, and over the next six years Kuliga handled everything from selling sponsorships to negotiating contracts.

But it was Kuliga's work with quarterback Flutie that launched her new career. While at Woolf, she helped establish the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism and helped renegotiate Flutie's contract with the Buffalo Bills. "I was also part of the team to put together Flutie Flakes," she says with pride.

When his Woolf agent left to work for the Patriots, "Flutie decided to stay with me," says Kuliga. "So I got my NFL certification [through the Players Association] and became an agent." In 2001, with client and certification in hand, she started up K Sports & Entertainment, putting her fledgling company on the map by landing Flutie a \$33 million contract with the San Diego Chargers. The following year, after the Patriots won their first Super Bowl, several players looked to Kuliga for endorsements and advertising. With Patriots mainstays like Adam Vinatieri and Richard Seymour enlisting Kuliga's services, K Sports & Entertainment was on its way.

Being a woman in a male-dominated field has been nothing but a positive experience for Kuliga. "I have never been treated with disrespect from teams, general managers, or scouts," says the Assonet, Massachusetts, native, adding that her gender has even occasionally served as an asset: "Players are used to dealing with men 24 hours every day, so it is something different."

Kuliga is now looking to grow K's events division and perhaps expand into the music business through her work with celebrity service company Paid Inc., whose clients include Aerosmith and Patti LaBelle. In the meantime she stays connected to her alma mater, teaching about the history and structure of the collective bargaining agreement as a member of the adjunct faculty. But it's her day-to-day agent duties that keep Kuliga the most vitalized.

"I like the satisfaction of finalizing a deal that satisfies the player," she says.

Which, in turn, makes for a pretty satisfying career.



—Dan Tobin

In Memoriam

Anthony V. Riccio JD '38
Norman N. Connolly JD '51
William J. Corkery Sr. JD '51
Francis R. Powers JD '51
Chester Baker JD '54
Robert P. Freeto JD '57
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George W. Noone JD '67
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John J. Lahey JD '74
Stephen F. Gabriel JD '78
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Jonathan F. Oster JD '81
Joan Laffey Nelson JD '82
James T. Justice JD '84
Muriel Lanfredi-Allen JD '84
George L. Garfinkle JD '85
Edward J. Lynch Jr. JD '87


Joseph J. Beard JD '69, an expert on copyright law and a professor at St. John's University School of Law, died December 31, 2007, at the age of 74.

Born in Winthrop, Massachusetts, Beard earned his undergraduate degree from Tufts University in 1956. Before receiving his law degree, Beard worked as an electrical engineer specializing in electronics and computers. He later went on to earn an MBA from Babson College in 1971, an LLM from Boston University in 1974, and an SJD from Harvard University in 1981. A qualified submariner, he also served in the U.S. Navy for 30 years before retiring as captain.



Beard taught at the New England School of Law for many years before joining the St. John's faculty as a professor of law in 1982. He was an active member of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A., serving as one of its trustees, and was editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A.* He also served as the governor's representative on the Task Force on Legal Research by Computer, was a consultant to the National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works, and was a pro bono consultant on digital issues for the Screen Actors Guild.

Beard wrote the first scholarly study of the law regarding digital replicas of celebrities, titled "Casting Call at Forest Lawn: The Digital Resurrection of Deceased Entertainers—A 21st Century Challenge for Intellectual Property Law." He lectured extensively in the United States and abroad on the topic of digital actors, made numerous television appearances on the topic, and was quoted regularly in newspapers in the United States and the United Kingdom, including *The New York Times*, *Variety*, and the *Hollywood Reporter*.

Beard was a member of the board of directors of the Battleship Cove naval ship exhibit in Fall River, Massachusetts, and was active in the development of its exhibit of the submarine *U.S.S. Lionfish*, on which he once served. At the time of his death, he was writing a book about Charles Dickens and copyright. 

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Suffolk University Law School opened many doors to me on a professional level. It wasn't just an ivory tower for studying law; it was real-world legal training. Coming from a blue-collar background, my career would not have happened without my Suffolk Law degree. Suffolk Law introduced me to the political world, the business world, the legal world.

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